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Township Headlines During 1951 Keynoted by Progress

The Old Year of 1951 will pass out of being Monday night and few residents of this area will mourn his departure, for though he added considerably to the progress and growth of this area, he will be best known for the tragedies which occurred here during his 365 days of existence.

In all, 85 persons lost their lives in violent deaths in the township during 1951. A review of the headlines of the past year reveals that 54 persons died in air crashes, three persons were drowned, 23 were killed or died of injuries suffered in highway crashes, and five persons took their own lives.

On the brighter side of the ledger, hundreds of new homes were constructed, new business houses opened, new school buildings were begun, in addition to many other milestones of progress.

How well do you remember the events of the past year? Here are the stories that made the headlines during 1951:

JANUARY

The new year of 1951 got under way with its first milestone of progress when ground was broken on January 2 for the new Alameda County Office Building on Fremont Avenue.

Clarence Crane submitted his resignation as fire chief, terminating 26 years of service with the department.

The Tareyton Village Tract at Decoto was sold by the Middlefield Company to the Biltmore Homes Corporation of Los Angeles.

LeRoy Broun was re-elected for the fourth consecutive year to serve as township chairman of the Red Cross.

Marceline "Muzzey" Rogers of Irvington was elected president of the Washington Township Sportsmen's Club.

Joseph Perry was named as the new fire chief at Niles.

Chester E. Stanley was elected vice-chairman of the Alameda County Board of Supervisors.

A new Catholic parish for Our Lady of the Holy Rosary Church was created at Decoto with Rev. Ralph Duggan named as administrator.

Rev. John E. Curran was named as the new pastor of Holy Ghost Church at Centerville.

The two-month-long strike of the International Chemical Workers Union at the Westvaco Chemical Corporation plant at Newark ended.

Paul Gygax was elected president of the Newark Chamber of Commerce.

Bruce Michael was named to head the Warm Springs Chamber of Commerce during the new year.

A meeting for the discussion of artificial rain making was held by the directors of the Alameda County Water District.

The P.T.A. units conducted a successful campaign for the March of Dimes with their "Porchlight Brigade."

The Red Cross Mobile Blood Bank paid its first visit to Washington Township.

FEBRUARY

Fred Duffie of Niles received the Silver Beaver Award, the highest honor bestowed upon Scouters by the Oakland Area Scout Council.

Bruce Michael of Warm Springs was elected president of the Washington Township Chamber of Commerce.

First aid trainees exceeded 800 here under the newly inaugurated Civil Defense Program.

The Newark Post Office moved into its new quarters on Sycamore Street.

Dr. E. M. Grimmer was elected president of the Irvington Chamber of Commerce.

The Township Register won a certificate of award from the California Newspaper Publishers' Association for the best newspaper promotion, among weekly publications of the state, for its "Guess Where" picture contest.

Dr. E. M. Grimmer Jr. was elected president of the Centerville Chamber of Commerce.

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ONLY ONE HOLIDAY HIGHWAY CRASH

Despite the heavy flow of traffic the highway safety record in Washington Township was marred by but one serious accident over the week-end holiday.

A head-on crash on Highway 17 south of Irvington at 3:10 a.m. Christmas day resulted in serious injuries for the drivers of the two cars, Peter Avila of San Jose and Jesus Chavez of Oakland.

Both men were rushed to Fairmont Hospital in the Township Ambulance. Avila was transferred to Highland Hospital, suffering from fractures of both arms and internal injuries. Chavez was transferred to Permanente Hospital where he was found to be suffering from a leg fracture, deep lacerations and chest injuries.

C. OF. C.'S SUSPEND MEETINGS

The next meeting of the Centerville Chamber will be at Klein's Cafe on January 7 and the Irvington Chamber will resume meetings on Tuesday, Jan. 8, at Roethlin's Cafe.

RECRUITMENT OF BLOCK WARDENS UNDER WAY HERE

A "back to school" movement is afoot in Southern Alameda County, where Sheriff H. P. Gleason is registering men and women volunteers for civil defense warden training in county schoolrooms.

Between the weeks of January 7 and April 7, Sheriff Gleason hopes to train 4,000 citizens for the warden service, using accredited teachers from his department as instructors.

County School Superintendent Vaughn Seidel has given the use of the school rooms in each school district of Eden, Washington, Murray and Pleasanton Townships. A total of 190 individual classes will be conducted under supervision of Sheriff's Lts. Floyd N. Heffron and Stanley N. Petersen.

Intensive recruitment of men and women for warden training is now being conducted throughout the south county civil defense area under the leadership of existing warden chiefs, and civil defense directors.

Prospective block wardens for the four southern townships will be taught the duties of wardens, defense against modern warfare, and psychological defense against enemy propaganda, Gleason said.

"Our goal is four trained wardens to every community block or rural neighborhood," Gleason explained. "A trained warden service is vital to the safety and welfare of every family, and is the basis of a sound civil defense program."

BURGLARY REPORTED AT DECOTO GARAGE

Ray J. McNulty of Danville, owner and operator of Ray's Garage at 1007 Tenth Street, Decoto, reported to the sheriff's substation here Friday that his place of business had been burglarized the previous evening or early that morning.

Listed as missing were four new automobile tires, a new inner-tube and a dashboard clock. He set the value of the loot at \$94.

SERVICE CLUBS WILL MEET AT HIGH SCHOOL

The two service clubs of Washington Township, the Niles Rotary Club and the Centerville Lions Club, will meet at Washington Union High School the week of January 7.

The Lions Club will meet at 6:45 p.m. on Tuesday, January 8, and the Rotarians will hold their luncheon meeting there at 12:30 p.m., Thursday, January 10.

'GUESS WHO' MAN HERE 25 YEARS

Did you guess last week's "Guess Who?" If not, you probably found the answer by reading through the paper. It was "Niles' grand old man," Frank J. Garcia.

This week's "mystery man" may cause you to do a bit of pondering. You'll have plenty of time for pondering over the holiday week-end. When you "give up," you can find the answer by reading through the pages of this issue of The Register.

Nobody believes he is 60 years old, which he actually is, because he doesn't look over 45.

He was born in Crockett, and, instead of the proverbial spoon in his mouth, he was handed a violin by his mother at an early date, and was told to play on it. He did. With such good results that, at the age of 18, he was on the old Pantages circuit, playing in orchestras. He was the youngest orchestra leader ever to play in the Fairmont Hotel, having played there at 18 for a Shrine orchestra.

In 1918 he played the violin in the United States Naval Reserve Force orchestra, at Mare Island.

He has toured in 42 states and in Canada.

He has been in business in the township for 25 years. Old-timers will remember him playing the violin at various social organization functions. He hasn't played publicly in recent years.

His favorite recreations are bowling and fishing. He also enjoys attending conventions.

His son is a graduate of Washington Union High School and now lives in Richmond.

GUESS WHO!

IRVINGTON V.F.W. POST TO RECEIVE CHARTER ON JAN. 5

With its membership approaching the one hundred mark, the members of the Joseph and Stanley Bernardo Post, V.F.W., No. 7445, are making preparations for the charter installation and dance to be held in historic Maple Hall in Irvington on January 5.

Headed by Walter Roethlin, its first commander, the post is composed of veterans of the Army, Navy and Marine Corps who saw overseas service in World Wars I and II or in the present Korean conflict.

The general public is invited to the affair at which the post will receive its charter and its officers and members will be installed. Installation ceremonies will be followed by dancing and refreshments.

Among the expected guests at the affair will be high ranking Navy and Army officers, Alameda County officials, members of Washington Township's civic, fraternal and social organizations, and all individuals who made donations toward the purchase of the post's colors.

The post is very anxious for all Gold Star members of families of deceased service men to attend. Officially the post has been named in honor of the two Bernardo brothers, but is dedicated to the memory of all the heroic men from the township who gave their lives for their country.

Honored guests at the impressive ceremonies will be Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Bernardo of Centerville, the parents of Joseph and Stanley Bernardo, and the following brothers and sisters: Raymond Bernardo of Newark, Eugene Bernardo of Centerville, Bernice Bernardo of Seattle, and Eleanor Bernardo of Salinas.

SEASON'S RAINFALL TOTALS 9.83 INCHES

Light showers, amounting to .18 of an inch on Christmas day, boosted the season's total, since July 1, to 9.83 inches, according to the tabulations maintained at the Southern Pacific depot at Niles.

Township Chamber Outlines Ten-Point Plan for 1952

A ten-point program keynoted by progress, economy and the consolidation of various agencies of this area, has been outlined for the Washington Township Chamber of Commerce for the coming year.

The outline has been made by Gene Manning, executive secretary of the Chamber, as a guide of projects which the township-wide group hopes to study and promote during the next twelve months.

The program includes consideration of:

Consolidation of all sanitary districts.

Consolidation of grammar school districts.

Consolidation of fire districts.

Consideration of the need of a recreation district in conjunction with the proposed Niles Canyon Regional Park.

Consideration of the feasibility of the formation of a junior high school district.

Planning and zoning on a township-wide basis.

Opposition to the Legislative Bill introduced by the League of California Cities opposing county administration of unincorporated areas.

Institution of a new Industries Committee to provide proper information for locating new industries in the township.

Flood control and storm drainage facilities.

Highway improvement and safety.

A committee from the Chamber has been studying the possibility of the consolidation of the four sanitary districts for the past several months. They have reported that not only would it prove a savings on tax money by the discontinuance of duplication of administrative costs, but would also make it possible for a refuse dump to be operated here for the convenience of all residents of the combined district.

DUPLICATION ELIMINATED

Under the consideration of the consolidation of grammar school districts it was pointed out that not only would it provide economy in administration, but would also allow for more practical location of grammar schools by removal of present boundaries.

The consolidation of fire districts would make it possible for every locality to be served by some full-time personnel, would provide economy in the present duplication of equipment and would eliminate continued construction of costly fire stations in each community.

The need of recreational facilities here for local residents is known but the establishment of an organized program is what will be undertaken by the Chamber, Manning said.

The possibility of the establishment of a junior high school here to accommodate the seventh, eighth and ninth grades might prove the most economical and advantageous way of relieving the housing problem for all of the elementary schools and Washington Union High School.

ZONING WANTED

Township-wide planning and zoning is a long-range project which the Chamber has been promoting for the past year and will continue to push in the coming year. The majority of the communities of the township have expressed desire to have a plan for future growth and the Alameda County Planning Commission has been asked to draw up a proposed zoning map.

The Legislative Bill, introduced by the League of California Cities, is now in Interim Committee for study and will be acted upon in 1953. Should the bill be passed, it would require that special districts be established in the unincorporated areas to provide the

EXTENDED SERVICE FOR ALL LOCAL PHONES JANUARY 11

As the second step in carrying out the provisions for telephone rate changes authorized by the California Public Utilities Commission, a "message unit" method for determining charges for station calls by extended service subscribers to other exchanges in the Bay Area became effective in Washington Township last Friday.

The third step of the Commission's order will be introduced here January 11 when all subscribers will be given "extended service." While at a slightly higher rate than local service, extended service allows the customer toll-free calls between any of the communities of Washington Township.

SLIGHT SAVINGS

S. D. Smith, manager of the telephone company, said this week that the "message unit" method of charging for out-of-town calls will mean a savings to subscribers of about 12 per cent for most station calls within the San Francisco-East Bay extended areas.

In describing the savings, Smith said that for each five cent unit of the former toll charge for these calls, extended service customers will now be charged one message unit, which is only 4.4 cents. For example a call previously costing 25 cents, now costs only 22 cents, which is five message units.

Township subscribers with extended service will also benefit by an important saving in the federal tax on such calls costing 25 cents or over. The tax will drop from 25 per cent to 15 per cent, Smith said.

BILLS NOT ITEMIZED

He stated that the saving on these calls is made possible in part by the more economical method of showing the total number of message units without itemization of customers' bills.

The reduced charges do not apply to collect calls or to those charged to another telephone.



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WASHINGTON HIGH CAGE SQUAD IDLE

The Washington Union High School basketball squads, rested from a two weeks' vacation, will resume their cage schedule on January 11, opening up against Live Oak in a Santa Clara Valley Athletic League double-header.

Both teams, greatly strengthened after benefitting from eight non-conference games in the early season, are expected to make a

good showing in conference play. Coach Clyde Voorhees' varsity and Coach Don Wolfe's Puppers will play their first home conference game on January 18 against the Fremont Indians.

Canberra, capitol of Australia like Washington, is set in its own Federal Territory.

MISSION SAN JOSE NEWS

By ALBIE SANTOS

THEY NEVER FORGOT

At a quarter to twelve on Christmas Eve church bells rang in the still of the night. For people did not forget that Christmas just wasn't eating turkey and exchanging gifts but the birth of Christ, for every pew in St. Joseph's Church was occupied.

FAMILY GETS TOGETHER

When! After the hustle and bustle of the Christmas holiday, we are glad the happy day is over. At our house we had a table setting of 32. And that, my friends, is a lot of people. We were all together for the first time in quite a few years. Coming home for Christmas were: Mary and Jack Scott, Pomona, Sonnie and Maxine, Judy and Mike Santos of Isleton, Herbie and Marie Santos of Niles, Allie, Ruth, Ernie, Karen, Christine, Skipper and Janet Lee Santos, Jay, Joe, Lynnette and Gayle Souza, Margie, Joe, Marvin and Joanne Reis, Teenie, Frank, Rodney, Robbie and Randy Alberts, Edward Santos, Mom, Dad and yours truly, all from the Mission. Count them if you don't believe it.

ON CHRISTMAS DAY

Those who feasted on turkey and goose with all the trimmings on Christmas day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Chambers and mother, Mrs. Boggini were: Mr. and Mrs. Joe Boggini of Morgan Hill, Charlie Boggini of Oakland, Mr. and Mrs. Matt Whitfield and son Matt of Centerville, Mrs. Mary Williams and son Augustine, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Williams and family of Redwood City, Earl Willey of Live Oak, Mrs. Peter Boggini and son David of San Jose, Ronnie and Weezer Fernandez and Ronald Chambers of the Mission.

Dropping in to spend Christmas day with the family were Mr. and Mrs. Tom Boggini and son of Liv-

ermore, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Silva of Sunol, Mr. and Mrs. Ken Wagner and daughter from South San Francisco, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Silva and family of Hayward, Mrs. Rosie Rose of Centerville, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Curley of Oakland, and also Mrs. Chambers' daughter, Gerry, who completes her nurses' training next month.

ANOTHER LARGE GATHERING

At the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Santos was another large family gathering. Those gathering around the dinner table were: Mr. and Mrs. Kim McBride and Mickey, Mr. and Mrs. Pete Brayovich and Carole of San Jose, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Harvey and Linda, Mr. and Mrs. Art Steele and Douglas of Auburn, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Santos and family of Warm Springs, Barbara and Mervin Santos, and Helen and Joe. The family feasted on a 30-pound turkey with all the trimmings.

YULE WITH MOM AND DAD

Coming to Mission from Arkansas to spend a few days with Betty and Eddie were Betty's sister, Christine and her husband, and Frances Stutts, also Betty's sister, from Norwalk. Betty and son, Mark Stewart then motored to Norwalk with them to spend Christmas with Betty's mom and dad Bramwell. It was their first Christmas gathering in seven years.

CHRISTMAS IN SUNNYVALE

George, Mary, Marilyn and Dorothy Rodrigues spent Christmas at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Amaral of Sunnyvale. On Christmas day they gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Dias of the Mission for dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Phillips and family spent Christmas at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Mendoza of Irvington.

The Ladies Auxiliary made up a Christmas basket and presented

it to Mrs. Marie Cunha, who is a war widow, to wish her and her daughters a merry Christmas. Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Kimber of Pomona, formerly Lottie Untiedt of Mission San Jose, spent Christmas with her folks, Mr. and Mrs. John Untiedt.

ARRIVAL OF TWO DAUGHTERS

Adding joy for Mr. and Mrs. Gene Olwell during the Yuletide season was the arrival of their two daughters. Both girls attend college in Seattle, Washington.

VISITING FRIENDS

Leo Dennie spent the holiday with Orinda friends.

CHRISTMAS DINNER

In keeping with the Yuletide season, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Azeveda had a traditional Christmas dinner with all their family present. Mr. and Mrs. Joe Garcia and Lorena, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Vargas and son Richard, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Hardy and daughter Kay, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Azeveda and son Eddie, and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Azeveda and wife, Lorraine.

HOME FROM HOSPITAL

Mrs. Rose Whiteside, who suffered from a fractured hip by a bad fall, is now home to her friends.

IN VALLEJO

Richard Meyers spent Christmas with friends in Vallejo.

WITH RELATIVES

Mr. and Mrs. John Feleciano, Joy and Alvin, spent a wonderful time with Castro Valley relatives.

BACK TO COLLEGE

Miss Marianne Stabel returned to the San Francisco College for Women after spending a week here with her brother, Paul.

WELCOME

Welcome to our little city, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Meeks and son. We know that you will like our community.

TO CITRUS HEIGHTS

Richard Vargas has taken advantage of the two weeks vacation from school. He went to Citrus Heights to spend the two weeks with his aunt and uncle, Kay and Hardy Bert.

AT TELLES HOME

At the home of Mrs. Emily Telles on Sunol Road was a large family gathering for the Christmas day. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lopes of San Leandro and their son, Sergeant Frank Lopes Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Bill Telles of Plymouth, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Brown and son Dennis of El Cerrito, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Kempton and family of Irvington, Mr. and Mrs. Morgan Cesari and son Glenn of Niles,

Mr. and Mrs. Tony Pereira and son Bill, Mr. and Mrs. John Telles, Frank, Louie, Larry and Adelene Telles and Stanley Caires, all of the Mission.

AROUND THE TREE

Gathering around the Christmas tree at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Harvey and son, Arnold, for a Christmas Eve party were: Gayle, Lynette, Joy and Joe Souza, Bobby, Jimmie, Jeffrey, Sally and Tony Souza, Linda, Evelyn and Albert Harvey, all of the Mission; Vernie, Elsie and Vernon Nunes, Connie and Clarence Terry, Vivian and John Souza, all of Irvington, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence DeVilla, Gene, Lillian and Vicki of Centerville, LaVern Prago of San Lorenzo, and Ed and Lillian Andrade of San Leandro.

CONTROL OF ANTS NOW EFFECTIVE

Ants prefer the warmth and hospitality of a kitchen when winter rains come. Keep them away from the kitchen door with chlordane, the advice of Stanley Coates, farm advisor for the University of California Agricultural Extension Service.

Control of the household ant is much easier now that chlordane and DDT are on the market, the farm advisor says. Both are very effective and easy to apply.

Apply the solutions with either a sprayer or a narrow brush. Do not fill the air with spray mist, but use a coarse spray, or brush the solution directly on the runways. If the ants change their runways, repeat the operation until the ants disappear, which should be within a few days. Do not spray near open flames.

DDT solutions should be no less than five per cent DDT, and chlordane solutions should be at least 2 1/2 per cent chlordane, Mr. Coates says.

Further information on ant control, and other insects can be obtained free of charge from the Agricultural Extension Service, P. O. Box 149, basement of the post office building, Hayward.

Ask for the bulletin entitled "Control of Household Insects."

Lake Tahoe is the largest body of water at its elevation in North America.

A. E. DUARTE, NOTED ATHLETE, SUCCUMBS

Antone Edward Duarte, 42, of Niles, one of the most outstanding all-around athletes ever to attend Washington Union High School, died last Friday in an Oakland hospital following an illness of about a year.

During the years he attended Washington High, Duarte set an all-time record in the javelin throw and was a star in football and baseball. He was a member of the Niles semi-pro baseball club which won a championship some years back.

He was the husband of Mamie Rosalyn Duarte; father of Geraldine, Lorraine and Maryann Duarte; brother of Mrs. Helen Nogueira, Mrs. Mamie Ferreira, Carrie and Raymond Duarte, all of Niles; son of the late Mr. and Mrs. John G. Duarte.

Funeral services were held Monday from the parlors of the Berge Mortuary Company, Niles, followed by a requiem mass at Corpus Christi Church.

Burial was at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Hayward.

'MISTER ROBERTS' IN SAN JOSE SOON

"Mister Roberts," the uproariously funny comedy which for three years was the top Broadway attraction, will have a single performance in the auditorium, San Jose, on Sunday evening, Jan. 13, starring Tod Andrews. Mr. Andrews is supported by the New York company of 35, including Raymond Bailey, Ted Jacques and Don Dubbins, on a triumphal farewell tour of the show which Life magazine described as "the season's best evening in the theater."

The elaborate scenic production on board Cargo Ship AK-601 was designed by Jo Mielziner, with many parts of the set, life boat, steel gangways, etc., obtained from Naval surplus.

The plot of the play, which Walter Winchell called "the funniest in 10 years," concerns Lt. Roberts' efforts to get himself transferred to a fighting ship, and to get shore leave for his weary crew, both of which are balked by a sadistic and unreasonable captain.

Tickets for "Mister Roberts," in San Jose on January 13, are on sale at the Denny-Watrous box office, San Jose auditorium.

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TV NEWS

By LEO BOHANNON

A lot of folks have the mistaken idea that television is made up only of outmoded vaudeville, rip-roaring horse operas and pretty girls in low-cut evening gowns. But take it from me . . . there's more to television than what meets the eye. There's a lot of top-quality entertainment transmitted for your TV-viewing . . . shows that are there every day for you and the whole family to enjoy.

You get national and international news, sports events and results, weather reports, time signals, record, stage, magazine and book reviews. Hollywood previews, man-in-the-street interviews, the biggest stars in the entertainment business, location shots, educational programs . . . and so on. Television is no bugaboo. It's simply a medium . . . a method of transmitting information and entertainment. It comes equipped with dials so that you can select and edit the shows you want your family to see. 1952 is going to be the biggest year in television. It's important for you to have a set . . . especially if you have youngsters in your home. We have just the set for you . . . a fine RCA VICTOR super-powered set to give you clearer, sharper reception all the way around. You'll like the style and you'll like the price. And you'll like our expert installation and service too . . . at

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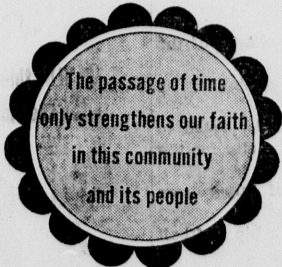


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Take Warden Training!
Niles, Irvington and Decoto men and women are urged by Sheriff H. P. Gleason to enroll NOW for Warden Classes with their local Civil Defense directors. Classes start early in 1952 in every south county school district under accredited teachers from the Alameda County Sheriff's department.

ALVARADO CHAMBER RE-ELECTS WARREN SILVA

The members of the Alvarado Chamber of Commerce last Thursday evening re-elected Warren Silva to serve a second term as president of that organization. Silva has led the Chamber's campaign during the past year in an endeavor to obtain immediate flood control aid for this area.

Joe Lewis was named vice-president and Leslie H. Maffey was re-elected to serve as secretary-treasurer.

NEW YEAR'S DAY MASSES

Rev. Richard O'Connell, pastor of Corpus Christi Church, Niles, announced this week that masses will be held on New Year's Day at 7:30, 8:30, 10 and 11 a.m.

Arizona produced approximately 15 per cent of all copper produced in the entire world in 1950.

BLOOD PRESSURE STUDIED AT U. C.

Dr. William G. Clark and Dr. Stafford L. Warren of the University of California at Los Angeles School of Medicine have been awarded a \$10,000 grant by the United States Public Health Service for the continuance of their studies of high blood pressure.

The program will be carried out in the affiliated laboratories of the Sawtelle Veterans Administration Center.

It is known that high blood pressure is caused by the release of excessive presser amines from the sympathetic nerves and that these substances are destroyed by the body.

Dr. Clark's experiments are aimed at discovering how these presser amines, among which is sympathin, are produced and destroyed. This discovery would lead to a means of stopping or speeding up the release of presser amines, as the case may require.

Research at present, using isolated enzyme systems in test tubes, and live dogs, cats, rats, and rabbits, deals only with fundamental biochemical and physiological problems of the production and destruction of presser amines.

According to Dr. Clark, it may take as long as fifteen years to find the real answer to high blood pressure.

The average life of the cables which propel San Francisco's cable cars is about ten months.

The coffee tree blossom is similar to the jasmine or orange in form and scent.

PG&E BOOSTS GAS DELIVERIES HERE WITH SUPER LINE

With three recently-completed compressor stations now operating, Pacific Gas and Electric Company's 500-mile Super Inch gas line this week began delivering a record-smashing 350,000,000 cubic feet of natural gas daily, Norman R. Sutherland, vice-president and general manager, said this week.

This is an increase of 150,000,000 cubic feet of gas per day over last winter's average daily delivery by the company's 34-inch "world's largest" line, that runs from Topock, Arizona, to Milpitas and cost \$63,000,000 to build.

Peter Juhl, manager of the Niles office of the P. G. & E., said yesterday that the new line has made it possible to increase the B.T.U. rating here from 1,050 to 1,100. He stated also that the increase in the supply of gas is little more than adequate to keep pace with the growth of the area and the demand for additional subscribers.

By January 1 the year-old line will reach its maximum of 400,000,000 cubic feet daily, 150,000,000 more than its rated capacity without the added compressors.

Sutherland said that the three compressor stations were completed right on schedule, in time to give Northern California necessary additional supplies of natural gas during the peak winter months.

Situated along the Super Inch line at Topock, Hinkley and Kettleman Hills, the compressor stations, costing \$12,000,000, are each designed to boost the line pressure from 500 pounds per square inch to 800 pounds. Furthermore, the compressors have increased the speed of gas in the line. Gas entering the line at Topock reaches Milpitas in 42 hours, 18 less than before.

Together the three compressor

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ONE MOTORIST LOSES DRIVERS LICENSE

One township motorist had his license suspended by action of the Department of Motor Vehicles during the past week, while two others had their licenses permanently reinstated.

Robert Begas of Decoto had his license suspended and Stella Mings of Newark and Emeterio Norte of Irvington had their licenses reinstated.



New Year's Day, aside from its festive connection, may not seem very momentous to the average citizen, but in the past it figured prominently in the making of history.

It saw the unfurling of the first American flag by George Washington, and the emancipation of Negro slaves.

Here is a list of important events that have occurred on New Year's day throughout the ages:

- January 1
- 38 B. C. The era of the Caesars began.
- 1349 A. D. Edward III, king of England, defeated the French before Calais with great slaughter.
- 1735 Paul Revere born.
- 1757 Calcutta, India, captured by the British.
- 1776 First Union flag of 13 stripes unfurled by George Washington.
- 1792 Kentucky admitted to the Union.
- 1801 Union of Ireland with Britain.
- 1814 American dragoons attacked the British who had seized Buffalo, N. Y.
- 1815 General Jackson repelled British when they attacked New Orleans.
- 1825 Great Britain acknowledged independence of South American republics.
- 1863 Emancipation of Negro slaves became effective by proclamation of President Abraham Lincoln.
- 1907 U. S. pure food law put into effect.
- 1913 Parcel post system inaugurated.
- 1919 New Year's day declared a legal holiday throughout the country except in Massachusetts and Washington, D. C.

Where's the Fire?

Tuesday, December 25, 12:40 a.m., Canyon Heights, Niles, false alarm.

BEARCATS IDLE

Play in the East Oakland Baseball League has been suspended until January 6 because of the holidays. The league-leading Centerville Bearcats were idle last Sunday and will play the first of their two remaining games on January 6, according to Joe Dutra, team sponsor.

Day of Creation Is Basis of Calendar Giving Year as 5711

According to Jewish dogma and tradition, the Day of Creation antedated the birth of Christ approximately 3,761 years. Thus, the Jewish calendar, which the Jews adopted during the 15th century, reads 5711 in relation to 1950 A.D. Use of the notation A.D. (in the year of our Lord) was inaugurated by Charles III of Germany, who affixed the symbolism to the years of his reign in 879. The system of retroactively dating the years prior to the Saviour's birth and dedicating the succeeding years to His greater Glory was invented, along with the Christian era, by a monk about 532 A.D. The Christian era begins on January 1 in the middle of the fourth year of the 194th Olympiad, the 753rd year of the building of Rome and in 4714 of the Julian period.

The Julian period, invented by Joseph Scaliger about 1583 A.D., was devised by multiplying the lunar cycle 19, solar cycle 28 and the Roman indiction 15.

Apparently the Egyptians were the first to figure out any 'exact' measurement of time (about 4,000 B.C.). Having devised a 'calendar,' the experts turned their attention to estimating the date of the 'beginning' and the Mundane era of Alexander fixed that estimate at 5502 B.C.

Modern research has developed a new time clock, which utilizes the principle of radioactivity. Wood samples now can be radioactively 'dated' as far back as 4,600 years, and atomic scientists hope soon to extend their measurements as far back as 20,000 years—long before the dawn of history.

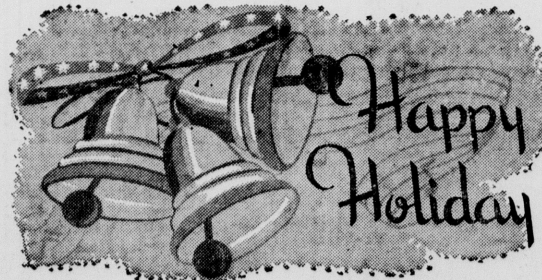
And there is plenty of room to go back, back, back, since astronomers and geologists estimate the earth to be at least three or four billion years old.

First Day, First Moon Began Chinese New Year

New Year's was a 15-day affair in old China when festivities began on the First Day of the First Moon and climaxed on "Teng Chieh," the Feast of Lanterns.

After the family gatherings traditional to New Year's Day, exchanges of gifts and all sorts of entertainments were in order until "Teng Chieh."

Northern China commemorated "Teng Chieh" very simply. Paper lanterns, hung in doors and windows, symbolized the advent of the longer days. Southern China, however, climaxed the festivities with spectacular lantern-lit parades featuring huge fire-breathing dragons, supported from within by many men, wiggling through the streets.



Here's a hope that the New Year holds a full store of love and prosperity for you



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GROWTH OF WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP TOLD IN REGISTER NEWS STORIES OF 1951

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The Smith-Peters Investment Company was granted permission to begin construction on two new streets of homes between Thornton and Baine at Centerville, in what was to be called Orchard Park Tract.

MARCH

An influenza epidemic struck the schools of the township with 732 students absent from their classes in one day.

Rainfall records toppled as the season's total hit 20.59 inches. Final clearance for a \$100,000 business education annex to Washington Union High School was granted.

Residents of the Centerville Elementary School District approved a \$75,000 bond issue and authorized a state loan of \$295,000 for the construction of a second school building.

The Washington Union High School Marching Band received colorful new uniforms.

Residents of Mission San Jose held a mass meeting and voted to form a Chamber of Commerce.

LeRoy Brown Jr. won the annual public speaking contest sponsored by the Centerville Lions Club.

The Alameda County Planning Commission turned down the application by the Treeview Corporation for the construction of a tract of homes across the highway from the Tareyton Village Tract.

"Life in Washington Township," a feature-length movie, was filmed here and shown to the public.

Emily Jane Scott was named to attend the Girls' State, sponsored by the Legion Post Auxiliary.

APRIL

The Alameda County Board of Supervisors handed down a ruling that, effective January 1, 1953, there would be but one justice court in Washington Township.

The S.P.R.S.I. Council No. 21 of Alvarado celebrated its Golden Jubilee.

Decoto voters approved a bond issue of \$100,000 and the acceptance of a loan of \$700,000 for the construction of a new school to serve the Hillview Crest Tract.

Maurice Marks was elected president of the newly-formed Mission San Jose Chamber of Commerce.

Rev. Howard M. Steward, pastor of the Centerville Presbyterian Church, was ordained at services held at the church.

A semi-pro baseball club, playing under the banner of the Centerville Bearcats, was organized by Joe Dutra.

Frank and Isabel Duarte sold their grocery business in Niles to W. O. and James Landrum, after being in business in Niles for 16 years.

Margaret Diosdada was named to reign as queen of the Future Farmers Round-Up at the High School.

County clearance for the use of a piece of property in Decoto for the construction of a new Catholic Church was granted.

MAY

Two busloads of Chamber of Commerce representatives from Washington Township went to Sacramento to plead for state ownership of Dumbarton and San Mateo bridges.

Death continued to stalk the highways here with the toll climbing to eight in three weeks.

Mrs. A. E. Alameda was installed as president of the Country Club for the second consecutive year.

Earl Wallace was elected head of the Washington-Eden Farm Center. Teachers of public schools in the township were voted a round of wage boosts.

A meeting of the Class of 1926 of Washington High was held at the school with all but two of the 37 members present.

Postmaster E. E. Enos of Niles was elected president of the California Chapter of the National Association of Postmasters.

William Davis defeated Ken Garcia by 11 votes at Decoto in the only contested race for election to school boards throughout the township.

Waymond Chan of Niles was elected president of the high school student body to serve during the 1951-52 term.

JUNE

Two major fires at Niles, one at the Jones Grocery and the other at the Nazarene Church, resulted in damages exceeding \$15,000. The announcement was made that that the state would buy the Dumbarton and San Mateo bridges and slash the toll to 35 cents.

The summer league of the Washington Township Softball Association opened with seven teams in the pennant race.

The Rose & Valente Motor Company opened for business at Centerville.

Diplomas were handed out to 418 graduates of the township's ten public schools.

Jack Parry was re-elected president of the Washington Township Credit Bureau.

The Post Office Department announced that it had accepted the bid of Mrs. J. A. Silva to build a new post office building at Niles.

Corporal Donald Torres of Irvington was reported killed in action in Korea.

Construction of a \$60,000 annex to the Veterans Memorial Building at Niles was approved by the Board of Supervisors.

Arthur T. Biddle of Newark and Henry Patterson of Centerville were honored as 50-year members of Alameda Lodge 167, F. & A. M.

JULY

Rainfall for the fiscal year ending July 1 was the highest in eight years, with a total of 21.93 inches.

Florinda Lewis reigned as queen of the Newark Holy Ghost Festival.

Peter Juhl was seated as president of the Niles Rotary Club.

The P. G. & E. Company announced that it would build a new \$450,000 power substation at Decoto.

The American Forest Products Company purchased the Newark Mill and Lumber Company.

LeRoy A. Brown was elected president of the Centerville Lions Club. Jed Oxborrow was named principal of the Mission San Jose Elementary School.

The apricot harvest got under way with growers receiving a record high of \$120 a ton.

The Rheem Manufacturing Company purchased the controlling interest in the James Graham Manufacturing Company at Newark.

The Township Civil Defense Medical Unit was organized with Dr. Lyle Buehler as chief.

AUGUST

Captain Richard E. Condon was named as officer-in-charge of the new sheriff's substation here.

The Washington Township American Legion Post celebrated its thirtieth anniversary.

Directors of the Washington Township Hospital District voted to purchase a 10-acre parcel of land on Santos Road as the site for the eventual construction of a hospital.

Landlords for the township petitioned the Board of Supervisors to decontrol rent in this area.

Kleine's Softball Club won the pennant in the Township Softball League.

Hirsch's Store in Irvington was sold to Charles and Harry Jone.

An airplane crash near Newark claimed the life of Howard Stepp, crop-duster pilot.

The first session of court was conducted in the new Alameda County office building here by Judge Allen G. Norris.

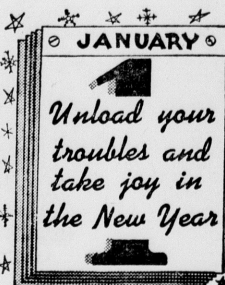
Father Richard O'Connell was named pastor of Corpus Christi Church at Niles.

An electrical storm which knocked out power lines resulted in heavy losses to local industries.

Fifty persons lost their lives in the state's worst air tragedy when a United Airlines passenger plane crashed into the hills near Decoto.

Ground was broken for the new post office at Niles.

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U. S. SETS FARM PRODUCTION GOALS

Production goals for 1952 spring vegetables in this area have been received from Washington, D. C., according to Lee Rozelle, secretary of the U. S. Department of Agriculture office in Hayward.

In line with Department of Agriculture policies to set up production goals to guide farm production into the most needed commodities, the list includes many spring vegetables of importance to Alameda County farmers.

Requested acreage goals for cauliflower, cucumbers, lettuce and spring peas remained unchanged from last year's planted acreage.

A five per cent increase in acreage is desired for snap beans, and a 20 per cent increase is wanted

for carrots. A five per cent decrease in celery would bring this crop more in line with anticipated demand, the Department says.

According to Fred Lewis, Centerville, chairman of the County Committee of the Production and Marketing Administration, "Every farmer should take stock of the requirements to produce these crops, such as fertilizers, sprays and warm equipment, in addition to considering the production goals."

"Undoubtedly fertilizers, chemicals and farm equipment are going to become harder to get in 1952, so crop requirements are as important as the market situation to each individual farmer."

MRS. WM. SINCLAIR TAKEN BY DEATH

Margaret T. Sinclair, 66, of Irvington, died last Friday in a San Jose Hospital. She had been in failing health for some time.

She was the wife of William Sinclair; mother of John W. and Thomas P. Sinclair, both of Irvington, Mrs. Eino Huhtala, Centerville, Mrs. Anthony W. Diada, Castro Valley, Mrs. John S. Patrick, Lodi, Mrs. Louis A. Paleari, San Jose, and the late James R. Sinclair, sister of Rose Driscoll, Milpitas, Mrs. Leon Mason, San Jose, Mrs. Grace Barr, San Jose, Mrs. Jack Driscoll, San Jose, Mrs. George Larson, Olympia, Washington, James Driscoll, Oakland, and the late Dennis Driscoll.

he was a native of Mission San Jose.

Funeral services were conducted from the parlors of the Berge Mortuary in Irvington Monday, followed by a requiem mass at St. Joseph's Church, Mission San Jose. Burial was at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Hayward.

Of the 500 species of wild orchids found in Australia, nearly 150 are in the state of Victoria.

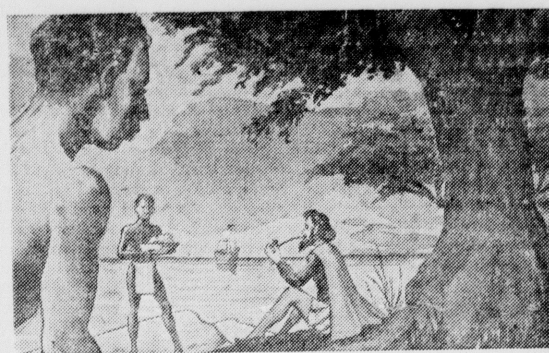
Romans Began Custom Of Gifts at New Year

Some authorities claim that the invading Roman legions introduced the custom of gift-giving at New Year's time into England by 'commandeering' a la Caesar, gifts and sums of money from the populace.

Medieval royalty, who were not as wealthy as they were reported to be, revived the custom as a means of replenishing the royal wardrobes, treasures and even larders. Queen Elizabeth relied on the custom for new petticoats, mantles, silk stockings, bracelets, necklaces, precious jewels, etc. Peers, bishops, clerics, ladies-in-waiting, physicians, cooks, everybody contributed.

Oliver Cromwell's Puritan government outlawed the custom, but it was re-revived when the Stuarts were restored to the throne. Individual circumstances governed the gift-giving among ordinary citizens and, since common pins were expensive in those days, middle class gentlemen usually gave their wives and daughters pins or 'pin money.'

Idiomatically, 'pin money' has survived the days of the expensive pin, while the custom of gift-giving at New Year's time has deteriorated into obsolescence in England and the United States.



Christopher Columbus was the first white man to celebrate New Year's day in the western hemisphere.

While his ships were being repaired on January 1, 1493, he enjoyed a sumptuous dinner with two savage monarchs on the island of Haiti.

After his meal, historians say, the discoverer of America had his first smoke of tobacco.

History of the New Year Goes Back as Far as Ancient Egypt

Everywhere throughout the world for thousands of years man has celebrated the passing of time. He has done so in various seasons and to the accompaniment of different customs — but always the holiday has been one of gladness and joy, of hope and brightness, of light and laughter.

The history of the celebration of New Year's day goes far back into antiquity. It is only in relatively recent times that New Year's day has been observed on January 1. The holiday has been a movable one and various races have marked it in different seasons. For instance, the ancient Persians and Egyptians celebrated New Year's on September 22, the autumnal equinox, while the Greeks did so at the winter solstice, December 21. The vernal equinox, March 22, marked the beginning of the year for the Jews.

At the New Year season through the ages, man has taken new stock of himself, and has pledged himself to higher, finer things and has resolved that ere the year ends, he will have done those things which would move him nearer Utopia.

New Year's Day has always been actively celebrated in the United States and from Colonial times to the present it has been a day of great significance. Presidents have received the public at great receptions on that day, and the custom of visiting friends and relatives is one which has survived until the present.

New Year's eve seems to be growing in popularity as a time of jollity and good fellowship and the average American feels lost unless he can "go somewhere" and "do something" on the turn of the year.

Of the many legends and traditions which have grown around the significance of the New Year, the one most persistent is that what you do on the first day of the year will be an indication of what will happen in the months to follow.

As an example, to open a bank account at New Year's was considered lucky in old England.

So deep-seated was the general belief in the "first thing" determining "future things" that even after the festival was declared a general holiday, many clung to their old-time beliefs, and to insure work for the coming year would set the pace by spending at least an hour or two in some useful pursuit.

The first day of the year has been more generally observed than any other holiday and over a longer period.

Omens of good luck have always been associated with the new year, all founded more or less upon the belief that a supreme power was vested in some unseen deity who could bring good luck if properly appeased, or mete out punishments.

The Romans named their new year in honor of Janus, the two-faced god, who had the power to look back over the past and also, in a prophetic way, could look into the future.

He was represented with a key in his hand symbolizing his power to open doors and gateways, and this holiday was one of great gaiety lasting several days.

The festival was not observed in midwinter, but in the spring, when the Roman year began, and had only 10 months. Later, when two months were added to the calendar, January and February were placed at the beginning of the year and New Year was celebrated on the first of January.

The "first foot" — the first person to enter the house on New Year's day — plays a significant role in the family's future fortunes, according to several old superstitions concerning the beginning of a new year.

To bring good luck, the first arrival must be a dark man, but if he also brings a gift and "carries in" more than he "takes out" then the house is assured peace and plenty for a whole year. The most auspicious gift as luck bringer is a lump of coal or a red herring.



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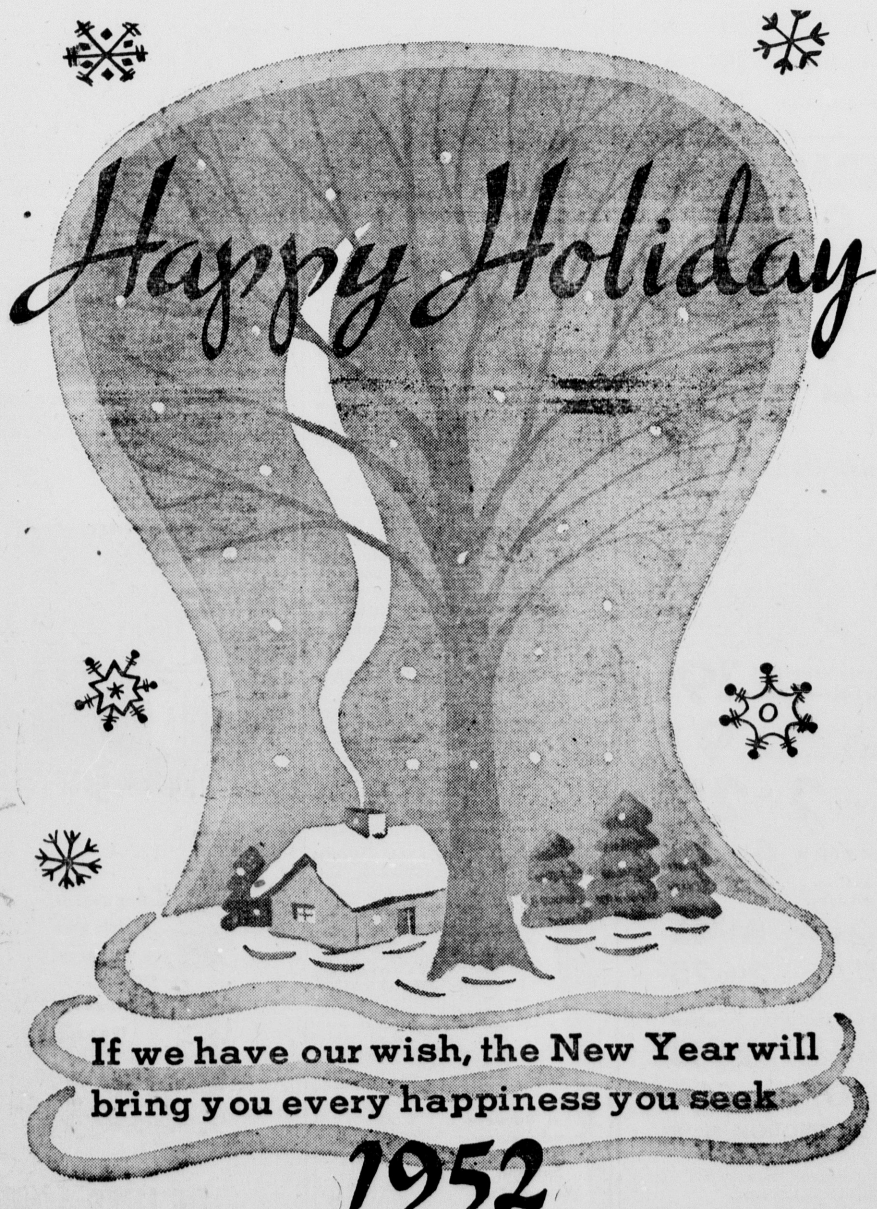
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DAY BY DAY IN DECOTO

By GRACE CAMINADA



Grace Caminada

A HAPPY NEW YEAR

To all my faithful readers I hope that they will forgive this short column, but the holidays just left me too limp to try to get more news this week.

I wish all of you a prosperous New Year. May 1952 bring peace and happiness to all our homes and good

health to all.

May the New Year bring understanding among all of us and may we all try to help each other in times of the good and the bad.

Let's start the new year with a clean slate and look forward to a better tomorrow.

A very happy New Year, folks.

SANTA VISITS

Candy and oranges were presented to the children in the Decoto area on Monday afternoon by the Sociedad De Beneficencia No. 2 at the Mexican Hall across from the Decoto Elementary School.

Several hundred bags of candy

and oranges were presented on Sunday morning also on the school grounds to the children in this area. The members of the local Chamber of Commerce, faculty members and the P.T.A. members assisted "Santa" who was represented by Carl Runner. A beautiful tree, donated by Joe Valenzuela was the center of attraction while Christmas carols were played.

DECOTO GIRL WEDS NEWARK MAN

Miss Antoinette Navas, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Navas of 605 Seventh Street, Decoto, and Merle Runolfson of Newark were united in marriage at a double ring ceremony at the Holy Rosary Church with Father Ralph Duggan officiating, on December 26 at 5 p.m. Miss Margaret Williams was organist.

The bride wore a satin gown with train and a seeded pearl

ruffle collar, button down the back when she was escorted down the aisle by her father. Her fingertip veil was held in place with a crown of seeded pearls. One strand of pearls touched off her gown. She carried a shower type bouquet of white orchids and bouvardia.

The matron of honor was her twin sister, Annie Ayala of Decoto, who was married on July 1. She wore a white net gown with silver spangles on her skirt. She wore a white net crown and carried a light pink and white bouquet of carnations with bouvardia.

The attendants were Antoinette Sanchez, Pat Guerra, Irene Navas (sister of the bride), all of Decoto, Darla Runolfson (sister of the groom) and Barbara Joyce Navas, flower girl, a niece of the bride. All wore identical dresses as the honor attendant and carried bou-

quets of carnations and bouvardia. The flower girl carried a basket of mixed flowers.

The reception was held at 7 p.m. at Boliba's Hall in Niles. The Galvin band supplied the music.

The groom is the son of Berr Runolfson of San Leandro and Lynn Runolfson of Newark. He is serving in the U. S. Navy and is a graduate of the Newark Elementary School and Washington High, class of 1950.

The bride is a graduate of the Decoto Elementary School and the Washington High School, class of 1951.

The couple will motor back to Maryland to reside as the groom reports back to duty by January 2.

SOMETHING NEW

Mr. and Mrs. Juan Gomez of the Niles Apartments, former residents of Decoto, became the parents of a daughter, Margarita

Santos, born on December 20 at the Decoto Medical Building. She tipped the scales at 5 pounds and 15 ounces.

Arriving on December 21 was Maria Rebecca Ramirez, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Juan Ramirez of 331 Eighth Street. She tipped the scales at 7 pounds and 6 ounces on her arrival.

New Year Was A Spring Affair In Egypt, Rome

New Year's was not always a mid-winter affair. Ancient Egypt used the overflowing of the Nile as a calendar and celebrated the New Year accordingly, in June. The Babylonians began their year in March, and the early Romans followed the Babylonian pattern.

Bearing this in mind, the custom of invoking the gods of fertility at New Year's time—the origin of which is lost in antiquity—seems logical and appropriate.

The Romans were accustomed to hanging tiny masks of Bacchus upon trees and vines, the idea being to impart fertility to every side of the tree to which the masks were turned by the wind.

In the old days, Rumanian youths went from house to house singing and wishing everyone a prosperous New Year.

Scottish lads always had a howling good time going about on New Year's Eve switching the trunks of fruit trees and petitioning a 'good howling crop.'

Reflecting the fear of starvation, peasant families in various parts of the world baked a special New Year's cake which they dashed against the door; members of the household hastened to pick up a piece and eat it, prayerful that neither hunger nor want should enter the house during the ensuing year.



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Resolutions Fun, If Right Spirit Attends Making

George M. Cohan may have saluted the great American custom of breaking New Year's resolutions, but Ernestine Evans assures us that around the turn of the century her family played the game of resolutions very seriously and for keeps.

The game was invented by the family's Aunt Callie whose dinners were out-of-this-world, and if you were invited to New Year's dinner, you automatically were invited to dinner on April 1. There was one qualification, however.

Aunt Callie's guests were required to write out one—just one—good resolution, seal it in an envelope and deposit it with Aunt Callie.



Then, on April 1, the envelopes were opened and the family, having feasted on their 'second' New Year's dinner, judged just how well the resolutions had been kept.

Typical resolutions covered a wide range of resolves—looking in the dictionary before interrupting conversations by asking questions, folding one's clothes carefully at night, keeping the kindling box well filled, Aunt Lou's anti-gossip promise, and the elders' promises to read aloud and teach the children to sew.

It was embarrassing to have broken one's resolution before it was read on April 1; thus a lot of good habits were launched, and it was a lot of fun, too.

Calends to Calendar

In ancient Rome, the priests called the people together on the first day of every month, known as the Calends, and announced the sacred days and festivals to be observed during the month. The people checked the days on their "fasti," marking the important feasts in red.

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Dinner Needs

Fruit Cocktail	Hostess Delight No. 1 Can	2 for 39¢
Green Beans	Del Monte, Cut, Fancy No. 303 Can	20¢
Golden Corn	Country Home, Whole Kernel 12-oz. Can	17¢
Frozen Peas	Bel-air—12-oz. Package	19¢
Broccoli Spears	Bel-air, Frozen 10-oz. Pkg.	21¢
Sweet Potatoes	Taylor's Fancy V. P. No. 3 Squat Can	25¢
Tomato Soup	Heinz—11-oz. Can	12¢
Lima Beans	Bonnie Dell, Small, All Green 16-oz. Can	25¢

Miscellaneous Items

Mayday Salad Oil	Quart Glass	53¢
Grapefruit	Highway, Broken Segments No. 2 Can	19¢
Apple Sauce	Highway—No. 303 Can	2 for 25¢
Hormel Spam	Lunch Meat—12-oz. Can	45¢
White Rice	Converted—Uncle Ben's 14-oz. Package	19¢

Party Snacks & Beverages

Van Zee Cheese Food	2-lb. Package	79¢
Libby's Deviled Ham	3-oz. Can	19¢
Granny Goose Potato Chips	7 1/2-oz. Cello	39¢
Mrs. Wright's Rye Bread	15-oz. Loaf	18¢
Tomato Juice	Sunny Dawn No. 2 Can	12¢ 46-oz. Can 25¢
Westfair Apple Juice	32-oz. Glass	21¢
Roxbury Candy	Jelly Beans and Swedish Mints 1-lb. Cello	29¢
Hunt's Sweet Pickles	6-oz. Glass	19¢
Ripe Olives	Lindsay, Medium Size—No. 1 Can	27¢

CRAGMONT BEVERAGES

Ginger Ale	2 for 27¢	Root Beer	6 for 29¢
Root Beer		12-oz. Btl.	
Lemon-Lime Mix			
Quart Bottle			

BELFAST BEVERAGES

Sparkling Water	15¢	Root Beer	2 for 35¢
29-oz. Bottle		32-oz. Btl.	
			(All Plus Bottle Deposit)

Safeway Holiday Meat Buys

BE SURE TO HAVE PLENTY OF GOOD EATING MEATS ON HAND FOR YOUR HOLIDAY.



Swift's Hams	Premium—Small Sizes	59¢
Leg of Pork Roast	Whole or Full Shank Half—Lb.	
Sliced Bacon	Meaty, Whole or Full Half Cuts—Lb.	59¢
Boneless Canned Hams	National Brands, Standard Quality 1-lb. Layers—Lb.	49¢
Beef Pot Roast	Hormel or Armour 6 lb. 12 oz.—Each	6.79¢
Boneless Brisket Corned Beef	Shoulder Blade Cut, "Choice" Grade, Safeway Trim—Lb.	75¢
Corned Legs of Pork	Choice Center Cut—Lb.	65¢
Fresh Drawn Fryers	Mild Tasty Cure, Delicious Baked—Lb.	59¢
Skinless Frankfurters	Fully Cleaned, Ready-to-Cook—Lb.	69¢
Assorted Luncheon Meats	Cello or Bulk Pack, First Quality—Lb.	65¢
Sliced Pork Liver	Wide Selection for the New Year's Party—Lb.	69¢
Fillet of Perch	Select Tender Slices, Top Quality—Lb.	35¢
	Finest Northern Quality—Lb.	49¢

WESSON OIL Quart Glass 53¢

FAB SUDS 19-oz. Package 27¢

DIAL SOAP Bath Bar 2 for 37¢

Winter Produce Suggestions

ENJOY THE EXTRA FRESHNESS AND QUALITY OF SAFEWAY FRUITS AND VEGETABLES.

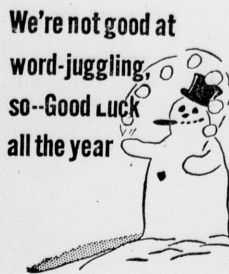


AVOCADOS	Fancy Fuerte Variety Large (24) Size—Each	19¢
GRAPEFRUIT	From California's Coachella Valley—Lb.	9¢
YAMS	or Sweet Potatoes—U. S. No. 1 Quality	2 Lbs. 25¢
PIPPIN APPLES	California's Finest All-Purpose Apple	4 Lbs. 29¢
CALIFORNIA LEMONS	Southern Crop Nice and Juicy	2 Lbs. 25¢
NAVEL ORANGES	Large Size—Lots of Juice	5 Lbs. 45¢
CRISP CARROTS	Tender and Sweet Good so Many Ways	2 Lbs. 25¢
CELERY HEARTS	Fancy Quality—Cello Package—Each	25¢
YELLOW ONIONS	U. S. No. 1 Globe Variety	2 Lbs. 15¢
RUSSET POTATOES	U. S. No. 1 Economy Bag	10 Lb. 69¢

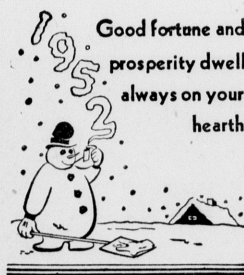
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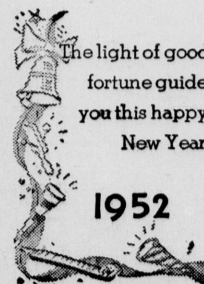
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AUTO BODY SHOP**
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**E. C. PARKS
REAL ESTATE**
Niles



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KENNETH ANDRUS WINS MARBLE CHAMPIONSHIP
Kenneth Andrus of Newark was crowned the Marble King of Newark last Saturday after defeating E. G. Falkner in a tourney sponsored by the Newark Youth Center and the Knights of Pythias Lodge. Andrus won by a score of 20 to 10.
Falkner won second place, Eldon Brown, third, and Kenneth Spence, fourth.
The special events trophy was won by Del Wilburn in the marble golf tourney.

Have you read the Want Ads?
LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF TRUSTEES' SALE
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on Wednesday, the 23rd day of January, 1952, at the hour of 9:30 o'clock a.m. of said day, at the main or Fallon Street entrance of the Alameda County Court House, situated on the westerly side of Fallon Street between 12th and 13th Streets in the City of Oakland, County of Alameda, State of California, M. MARCHISIO and MAX STEVENSON, Trustees, will sell at public auction to the highest bidder for lawful money of the United States, the following described real property situated in the Township of Washington, County of Alameda, State of California, described as follows:

PORTION of the 15.157 acre tract of land in Survey No. 77 of the lands of the Ex-Mission of San Jose, described in the deed by Pauline E. More, et al., to Antonio Pereira Da Rosa, dated December 30, 1892, recorded in book 497 of Deeds at page 389, Alameda County Records, described as follows: BEGINNING at a point on the center line of County Road No. 94, known as Santos Avenue, 33 feet wide, distant thereon south 33° 15' west 166.22 feet from the most eastern corner of said 15.157 acre tract and running thence along said center line of Santos Avenue south 33° 15' west 60 feet; thence north 57° west 181.50 feet; thence north 33° 15' east 60 feet; thence south 57° east 181.50 feet to the point of beginning.

Said sale will be made to satisfy the obligations secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in that certain Deed of Trust executed by JOHN H. HOLLAND, also known as J. H. HOLLAND, and CONSTANCE F. HOLLAND, his wife, as Trustors, to M. MARCHISIO and MAX STEVENSON, as Trustees for WILLIAM L. SILVA and MARY L. MOARA, as joint tenants, lenders and beneficiaries, dated February 6, 1948, and recorded February 17, 1948, in Book 5411 of Official Records at page 87, in the office of the County Recorder of Alameda County.

Notice of breach and election to sell under said Deed of Trust was recorded in the office of said County Recorder on August 24, 1951, in Book 6520 of Official Records, at page 159.

The beneficiaries or any other person may purchase at said sale. This notice is given in compliance with written demand made by the beneficiaries on said trustees.

Dated: December 6th, 1951.
M. MARCHISIO
MAX STEVENSON
Trustees
D21,28,J4,11

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

No. 117647 Dept. 4
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN by the undersigned Executor of the Last Will and Testament of RITA GARCIA FURTADO, Deceased, to the creditors of and all persons having claims against the said decedent to, within SIX MONTHS after the first publication of this notice, either file them, with the necessary vouchers, in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of the State of California, in and for the County of Alameda, or present them, with the necessary vouchers, to me, at the law office of E. A. QUARESMA, Ellsworth Building, Niles, California, which place the undersigned selects as the place of business in all matters connected with said estate.

Dated: December 5, 1951.
MANUEL SOIT
Executor of the Last Will and Testament of the above named decedent.

E. A. QUARESMA
Attorney for said Executor
Niles, California. D7,14,21,28

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

No. 117719 Dept. 4
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN by the undersigned Executrix of the Last Will and Testament of JOAQUIN S. CALDEIRA, also known as J. S. CALDEIRA, deceased, to the creditors of and all persons having claims against the said decedent to, within SIX MONTHS after the first publication of this notice, either file them, with the necessary vouchers, in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of the State of California, in and for the County of Alameda, or present them, with the necessary vouchers, to me, at the law office of E. A. QUARESMA, Ellsworth Building, Niles, California, which place the undersigned selects as the place of business in all matters connected with said estate.

Dated: December 12, 1951.
ANNIE CALDEIRA
Executrix of the Last Will and Testament of the above named decedent.
E. A. QUARESMA
Attorney for said Executrix
Niles, California. D14,21,28,J4

NEWARK YOUTHS CENTER RECREATION NEWS

By FRANK LOMBARDO
The marble tournament is over and the Marble King of Newark is Kenneth Andrus. He won over E. G. Falkner by the score of 20 to 10. Del Wilburn is marble golf king of the Knights of Pythias Lodge. It has been a busy four weeks.

Plans were completed Saturday for a boys' basketball team. Any team wishing to play Newark may phone Newark 3-3775.

The Newark Harmonica Band will resume rehearsals on Saturday, January 12, at 1:30 p.m. The boxing team will also report at 2:30 p.m.

The teenager dance will be held every Saturday from 8 until 10:30 p.m. Instructors are available for those who do not know how to dance.

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
No. 117817 Dept. 4
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN by the undersigned Executor of the Will of LUCINDA P. WILLIAMS, deceased, to the creditors of and all persons having claims against the said decedent to, within six months after the first publication of this notice, either file them, with the necessary vouchers, in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of the State of California, in and for the County of Alameda, or present them, with the necessary vouchers, to me at the office of NORRIS AND BROUN, 114 North Main Street, Centerville, California, which place the undersigned selects as the place of business in all matters connected with said estate.

Dated: December 19, 1951.
LAWRENCE W. GEORGE
Executor of the Will of Lucinda P. Williams, Deceased.
NORRIS AND BROUN
Attorneys for said Executor,
114 North Main Street,
Centerville, California.
D28,J4,11,18



Here's to 365
days of good
health, good
news and best of
prosperity for
you all.

NEWARK PHARMACY
Newark



The time has come to wish all of you, our friends, the happiest of futures and brightest of days.

EASLEY'S
Watch & Clock Repair Shop
110 J Street
Next to Post Office Niles



God grant that we may make of this new year a monument of faith in Thee and in our country. Grant us, day by day, the strength and will to build a structure of peace and charity that will be acceptable in Thy sight.
Amen

PLANT TESTS ARE MADE IN AUSTRALIA

By traveling 8,000 miles across the equator, truck crop specialist Gordie C. Hanna, division of truck crops, University of California College of Agriculture, is squeezing two growing seasons out of one year.

This month he is taking seeds of special experimental tomato varieties to Australia. A six-month leave of absence will enable him

to test their range of adaptability in a climate similar to California's.

From these tomato strains Hanna hopes to develop new varieties which will grow as well under a wide range of climatic conditions and be more disease resistant than present commercial varieties.

He will also plant some of his special new asparagus strains "down under" to help plot their range of adaptability and performance under varied climatic conditions.

TAXABLE PROPERTY TAKES BIG JUMP

Taxable property in Alameda County averages \$1,024 per person for 1951-52, compared with \$878 for 1941-42 and \$835 for 1945-46, California Taxpayers' Association reported this week.

Total assessed value of property subject to local taxes in the county reached \$756,075,190 for 1951-52, compared with \$464,426,865 for 1941-42 and \$525,853,755 for 1945-46.



DELP AND REATH
DODGE-PLYMOUTH AGENCY
Centerville

A message to telephone users having extended service

On December 21 charges for toll telephone calls between most Bay Area communities were substantially reduced

If you live in any of the communities served by exchanges listed below, and yours is an extended service telephone, you are now able to call any of these exchanges (which do not fall within your present local calling area) at this new, substantial saving.

Alvarado
Belvedere
Campbell
Centerville
Concord
Corte Madera
*Danville (and Diablo)
Decoto
Hayward
Irvington
Lafayette
Los Altos

Millbrae
Mill Valley
Mission San Jose
Moraga
Mountain View
Newark
Niles
Orinda
Palo Alto
Redwood City
Richmond
San Carlos-Belmont

San Francisco-East Bay
San Jose
San Mateo-Burlingame
San Rafael
Saratoga
Sausalito
Sharp Park
South San Francisco
Sunnyvale
Walnut Creek
Warm Springs
Woodside

*Reduction effective January 6th.

More and more telephone calls are speeding between the towns and communities of the Bay Area these days. To save you money on these thousands of daily calls, we've changed them from "toll calls" to "message unit" calls. This improvement means that for each five cent unit of the former "toll" charge for most station calls between these points, you'll now be charged one "message unit" costing only 4.4 cents. For example, a three minute call which previously cost 25 cents will now cost only 22 cents—a saving to you of 12%.

This important saving is partly the result of

new and more economical billing methods. The difference will show up on your telephone bill in this way. Instead of receiving an itemized list of charges for these calls, you'll now receive a single statement of the total number of message units you've used. This new, simplified plan does not apply to collect calls, or to those charged to another number.

Taxes, too, are now lower on "message unit" calls costing 25 cents or more. On these calls, your Federal tax is reduced from 25% to 15%—a reduction of 10% on each call! This means even more savings for you.





IN ALL SINCERITY,
WE HOPE 1952 WILL
BE THE BEST YEAR
OF YOUR LIVES



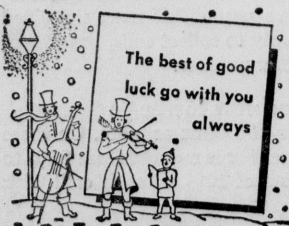
P. C. HANSEN LUMBER CO.
Centerville — Niles — Decoto



We deeply appreciate your
friendship, both in the old
year and the new



**LEASK'S GROCERY
AND SERVICE STATION**
Fremont Avenue, Niles



MILDRED'S APPAREL
Mildred Amaral
Centerville

Curiosity, Hope Greet New Year Hand in Hand

Curiosity and superstition always have greeted the New Year hand in hand with mankind's bright hope for the future.

In olden times, families sought a glimpse into the year just beginning by observing the "dipping" custom. With his eyes closed, the head of the house opened the family Bible and indicated a passage with his finger; the text, solemnly read and interpreted by the family, was indicative of the luck—good or bad—that was in store.

Probably one of the most widespread superstitions concerned the "first-footer," the first person to cross the threshold on New Year's morning. Women and light-haired men were considered unlucky "first-footers," as were people who walked pigeon-toed.

In some villages, the superstition was taken so seriously that a dark-haired man was given the first-footer job and, going from house to house, he would be the first person to cross the threshold, thus preserving the good fortune of the community.

Anglo-Saxons, believing that something might happen when the New Year burst in, often climbed upon the roof on New Year's Eve so as to have a good view of any such event.

And we moderns make as much noise as possible, presumably because our primitive ancestors believed that noise would keep evil influences at a distance.

No Slumber Songs Needed by Scots On New Year's Eve

Nobody goes to bed in Scotland on December 31. There are too many other things to do.

It is a great night for the youths who, reminiscent of ancient superstitions, go about switching the trunks of fruit trees and petitioning the gods of fertility for a "good howling crop."

Before the advent of modern plumbing, teen-agers made quite a fuss about the "cream of the year" which was the first draught drawn



from the nearest spring immediately after midnight and supposedly entitled the drinker to anticipate a "luckier" year.

The Wassail Bowl is, of course, the center of adult festivities. Its origin is lost in antiquity, but tradition has endowed the Wassail Bowl with legendary romance. Is is ornamental in design and decorated with branches of greenery. The mixture within is warm and sweet, and wine is sometimes added to the ale and sugar and spices.

After having enjoyed the concoction within the home among intimates at the stroke of midnight, the Scots pile into wagons or sleighs, with kettles full of the Wassail, mums, cheese and other food and set out to tour the community. The party stops at various houses and the refreshments go 'round at each stop. Nobody pays the least attention to the approaching dawn, because nobody goes to bed on New Year's Eve anyway.

New Year in Bulgaria

New Year's Day is a great day for Bulgarian children who receive their presents and small sums of money in return for the gifts they ceremoniously present.

Teen-agers go visiting and, wishing neighbors a happy New Year, expect treats and refreshments. But unlike our "trick or treat" of Halloween, should the supply of goodies run short, the situation is accepted graciously.

The Longest Year

The year we now refer to as 46 B. C., was the longest year in calendar history. It contained 445 days, and for a very good reason.

Numa Pompilius supposedly created the Roman calendar in the seventh century B. C. This calendar was revised several times but by Julius Caesar's time, it was two months behind the sun.

When Caesar's experts devised the Julian calendar, which went along without revision until the 16th century, there was the problem of catching up with the sun before the new calendar could take over. So, two months were inserted between the months of November and December. Thus, 46 B. C. contained 445 days.

New Year Brings Joy, Hope, Sadness

Superstition and curiosity prompted the Anglo-Saxons to climb upon their roofs as the hour of midnight approached on New Year's Eve—it was believed that something might happen when the New Year burst in and everyone wanted to be in a position to see for himself.

Perhaps more of this "something might happen" superstition has survived than is immediately apparent. Almost everyone dreads the thought of being alone on New Year's Eve; if possible, we gather our families and friends around us in our homes. In a more serious mood, an ever-increasing number of persons attend "Watch" services to greet the New Year in prayer and meditation; and there is a universal resolve to "do better" next year. Gathering in public places, in Times Square—or its counterpart—we make as much noise as possible—presumably because our primitive ancestors utilized noise as an expression of celebration, believing the din would keep evil spirits and influences at a distance.

Joyous New Year Bells

The New Year bells have ceased to toll for the dying year and now welcome the New Year with joyous peals symbolic of the hope with which mankind looks forward to a brighter future and a better world, but the nostalgic strains of Auld Lang Syne have become so intrinsically a part of our New Year's Eve that even the very gayest gatherings would be incomplete without it.

Indeed, we stand before the New Year with mingled sentiments, not wholly unlike the child of Longfellow's sonnet:

"Half willing, half reluctant to be led,
And leave his broken playthings on the floor,
Still gazing at them through the open door
Nor wholly reassured and comforted
By promises of others in their stead,
Which, though more splendid,
May not please him more."

Chinese Pay Debts On New Year's Eve

An ancient Chinese tradition demands that all bills be paid on New Year's Eve: anyone who is a debtor on New Year's Day is considered, and considers himself, very much disgraced. Counting-houses hum with activity long after midnight and tradespeople, shielding lighted candles, hurry through the dark streets of residential districts stopping at this door and that door to settle accounts with their customers.

Traditionally, creditors are entitled to their money only so long as their candles remain lighted. Human nature being what it is, we can imagine debtors and creditors have thought of an ingenious way of accidentally extinguishing those candles or keeping them from being extinguished.



BIG BEN . . . In London, England, the most famous clock in the world annually welcomes the New Year with the booming of its great bell.

New Year's Gift of Broken Dishes

Most Americans would be perplexed to find a pile of broken crockery on their doorstep New Year's morning. However, it's a time-honored Danish custom to save every dish which comes to grief during the year and hurl it all against the front doors of friends and neighbors on New Year's Eve.

The tossers are supposed to toss and run, but not too fast. Before they get away, the householder is supposed to open the door and invite them in for coffee and doughnuts.

A pile of broken crockery around any Danish threshold on New Year's morning attests the popularity of the householder and is a compliment to his wife's ability to make delicious coffee and tasty doughnuts.

Gift
"A New Year's gift to the world," said the Frost.
"Rich lace curtains which nothing cost."
—C. G. Leland

FISHING, HUNTING LAWS CHANGED

Ring out the old, ring in the new, will have some application to California's fishing and hunting regulations at the turn of the calendar year, according to the Department of Fish and Game.

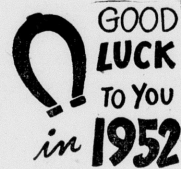
One-half hour after sunset on December 31 will mark the end of the quail, tree squirrel and brush cottontail rabbit hunting in those areas still open. Bear hunting will be a thing of the past in all counties except Del Norte, Humboldt and Mendocino, where there is no closed season or bag limit.

Most important of the new year's angling regulations calls for a 1952 license for all persons over the age of 16 years. They are now on sale at more than 3,000 agencies and offices of the department.

Restrictions against the taking of salmon in certain inland waters will be removed January 1.

There's no need to put hunting and fishing gear on ice until spring, the department announcement advises. Steelhead, salmon and striped bass fishing is in full swing, and the winter sportsman in California may still go after abalones, clams, eels, cockles, crabs, fish, black bass, sunfish, catfish, grunion, lobsters, scallops, ocean shad, frogs, wild boars, raccoons and mountain lions. In some areas the pursuit of bears, jack rabbits, mullet, and channel catfish is also legal year-round.

Have you read the Want Ads?



We hope we're
throwing a
"ringer" when
we wish you a
bright and happy
year, with
nothing but
blessings in view
for '52.

ROETHLIN'S CAFE
Irvington



As the clock
strikes twelve
and the New
Year bows in,
add our wishes
for health, happiness and prosperity in the months to come!

EDENVALE NURSERY
Niles

RECORD OF FAMILY SPENDING ADVISED

Start the new year with a record of family spending, is the advice of Mrs. Maryetta W. Holman, home advisor for the University of California Agricultural Extension service. It will settle the problems of who bought what, give a reference date of when the bills were paid, help the children understand about the use of money, and serve as a guide for future family spending, she adds.

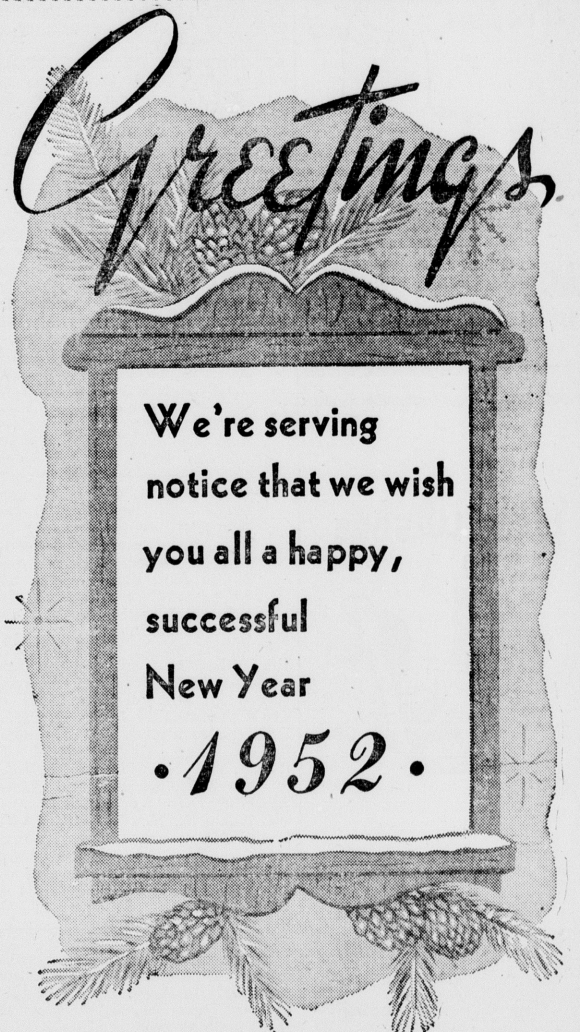
According to the home advisor, the only reason for having a spending plan is to help the family get what it needs and wants most. The plan must fit each family, and not the "average" family. Each member of the family should share in making the plans to insure a fair distribution of the money among the family members.

A home account book, kept near the place where the family bills

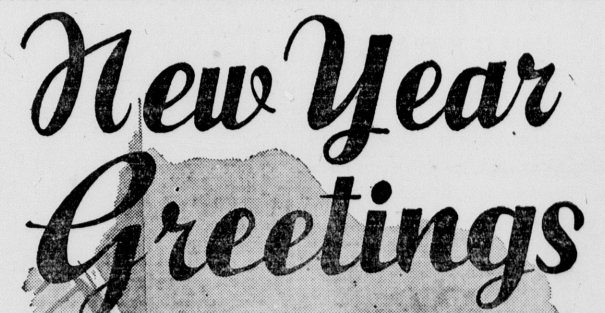
are paid, will serve as a handy reference to show where the money goes. For those families who would like some guidance with their accounting, Mrs. Holman suggests a copy of "Our Family Account Book" by Julia Pond, extension home management specialist.

The book included pages for each month of the year, and lines for each day's spending. Summary sheets at the back provide the space for yearly totals. Books are available on request from the Agricultural Extension Service office, P. O. Box 149, Basement Post Office Building, Hayward. The charge for each book is 35c plus tax, or 25c plus tax for orders of ten or more to cover the cost of printing.

Sell It with a Reister Want Ad!



PEERLESS STAGE DEPOT
Niles



CENTRAL CHEVROLET
Centerville

Seasons Cheer



If there is such a thing
as a perfectly happy
New Year,
we hope
you have it
1952

BERGE MORTUARIES

Thomas Berge
IRVINGTON

Ben Murphy
NILES



HAPPY
NEW YEAR



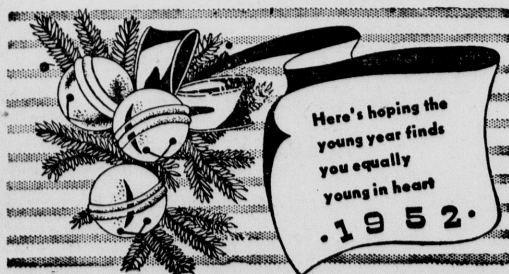
LET US ALL
ENTER INTO
THE NEW YEAR
WITH FAITH AND
HIGH HOPE
1952

COZZI'S VARIETY STORE

Niles



HAPPY
NEW
YEAR



Here's hoping the
young year finds
you equally
young in heart
1952

POND'S PHARMACY

Irvington

GROWTH OF WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP TOLD IN REGISTER NEWS STORIES OF 1951

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The Alameda County Board of Supervisors announced that the 1951-52 tax rate would be slashed 16 cents.

An undivided half interest in the Belvoir Hotel property at Niles, Southern Alameda County landmark, was sold to Joseph Grimshaw of Hayward.

SEPTEMBER

Pfc. Dwino Bassignani of Centerville was reported missing in action in Korea.

Local schools were crowded to capacity with 3,764 students enrolled on opening day.

S. G. Scott of Newark was named to the board of the Washington Township Hospital District, succeeding Fred Melhase who moved to Oregon.

The state took over the Dumbarton and San Mateo bridges and cut the tolls to 35 cents.

The greatest deer hunting season in local history ended with sportsmen getting a record bag.

Bids were called for the construction of a new fire station at Niles and the remaining half of the new school at Newark.

A furor was created in Niles when the City of San Francisco announced that it would sell at public auction the land known as "Old Town."

The new county office building on Fremont Avenue was dedicated at impressive ceremonies given by the Township Chamber of Commerce.

Dr. James A. Robertson of Newark was appointed to the Board of Trustees of the Newark Elementary School District, succeeding Fred Melhase.

Al Gamba of Niles was elected president of the Niles Sportsmen's Club.

Corporal Elidio Cunha of Newark was reported killed in action in Korea.

The first residents of the Hillview Crest Tract at Decoto began moving into their homes at the rate of 50 per week.

A new V.F.W. Post was formed at Irvington under the name of Stanley and Joseph Bernardo Post.

The Newark Chamber of Commerce announced plans to organize a home-owned bank for that community.

OCTOBER

Rent controls were removed throughout all of this area.

The huge new plant of the U. S. Pipe and Foundry Company at Decoto began production.

Mrs. Laura Secada of Centerville took over the duties as clerk of the Justice Courts here.

Fire Chief Fred Rogers of Centerville announced his retirement, as of November 1, concluding 45 years of service with the department.

The Community Chest campaign opened with a goal of \$8,100 for the township.

Plan for the formation of a new Boy Scout District to serve Washington, Murray and Pleasanton Townships was announced by Judge Allen G. Norris, president of the Oakland Area Council.

Walter Roethlin of Irvington was elected commander of the new Irvington V.F.W. Post.

The sheriff's substation in the new county building was activated.

Bain Leask of Niles began the construction of a new building on Fremont Avenue to house his grocery store.

Harvest of the bumper tomato crop got under way with growers receiving from \$30 to \$37 per ton.

A \$30,000 fire destroyed the Solon Brothers service station at Niles.

A crowd of 8,000 persons assembled at the Novitiate of the Sisters of the Holy Family in Mission San Jose for the second annual devotional to Our Lady of Fatima.

Past presidents of the Centerville Lions Club were honored at the 20th anniversary meeting of the club.

NOVEMBER

Mrs. James R. Whipple of Niles launched the annual Christmas Seal Sale, the 11th year under her leadership.

Ground was broken for the new Niles fire station on Second Street. Local elementary schools planning expansion were granted federal priorities for construction.

The Rev. Robert G. Kay, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Niles, announced that the congregation would build a new church on Fremont Avenue.

Tenants of "Old Town" at Niles were able to purchase their property from San Francisco at public auction.

The U. S. Bureau of Census listed the population of Washington Township at 16,895.

Joe Alexander and Richard Duarte were elected co-captains of the Washington High School varsity football team.

An election in Newark Elementary School District carried by 136 to 1 authorizing the borrowing of an additional \$60,000 in state funds for the construction of the remaining portion of the new school.

Frank W. Madruga was named fire chief at Centerville.

The Berchem family of Niles announced the sale of their retail meat markets, concluding a business of 23 years.

The Washington High Pupils won a co-championship in the Santa Clara Valley Athletic League football season's play.

Christmas Savings Club checks totaling \$85,364 were mailed to local residents by the four banks of the township.

Residents of Hillview Crest Tract announced the formation of a Home Owners Association.

DECEMBER

Scout leaders of the area met and formally organized the new Twin Valley Scout District, comprised of Washington, Murray and Pleasanton Townships.

A 4-H Club was formed at Niles with William Tyson named as the community leader.

The Niles post office moved into its new quarters at Second and J Streets.

Lawrence Costa was elected president of the Newark Firemen's Club.

The Newark Fire Department, for the second consecutive year, was awarded the fire prevention plaque by the Alameda County Association of Firemen.

Manuel Hidalgo was elected president of the Decoto Chamber of Commerce.

Gene Manning resigned as Washington Township's civil defense director.

Michael Overacker was elected president of the Mission San Jose Chamber of Commerce.

Pfc. Joseph Melecio of Decoto was among the soldiers listed on the prisoner of war list announced by the Korean Reds.

Bain Leask was named civil defense director for Niles.

A new local bus service for portions of the township was announced by Harry Gaeta, president of Peerless Stages.

Washington High's annual Christmas Pageant played to a capacity audience.

CHURCH INAUGURATES APPRECIATION DAY

The congregation of the Centerville Presbyterian Church will bring letters of appreciation to the 11 a.m. service this, the last, Sunday of 1951.

Each worshiper has been requested to write a letter of appreciation to that person (not the pastor) who has been of greatest personal help and inspiration during the past year. In keeping

with the Appreciation Day theme, the sermon will be "He That Doeth the Will of God." The hymn, "Precious Name," will be the special music presented by the quartet, Mrs. Lorraine Alameda, Mr. Earl Mackintosh and Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Storer.

The Books for the Blind Section of the California State Library was organized in 1904.

TREATMENT FOR PESTS REPORTED

University of California research scientists building coastal defenses against the Oriental fruit fly report successful sterilization of both citrus fruits and avocados against infestation without damage to the fruit.

Success in treating the two key California agricultural products means protection for shipment of those multimillion dollar crops, if the Oriental fruit fly should invade the mainland from the Hawaiian Islands, where it is now established.

Since discovery of the fly in the islands in 1946, the University of California has participated with the U. S. Department of Agriculture in tests carried on in Hawaii to find effective methods of commodity treatment to prevent introduction of the pest into new areas. Several new fumigants were found that would kill immature stages of the insect at very low dosages. One of these, ethylene dibromide, has been released for general use in treating perishable commodities prior to certification for shipment.

An extensive study of treatment for citrus and avocado shipments is being made at the Citrus Experiment Station at Riverside by Dr. W. B. Sinclair, of the division of plant physiology, and Dr. D. L. Lindgren, of the division of entomology.

"Treatment that will kill the insect," Dr. Sinclair explained, "must not be harmful to the fruit or vegetables being treated, and it must not leave a residue that will be harmful when consumed as food."

"Research at the Citrus Experiment Station has shown that methods of treatment heretofore used, such as heat sterilization and methyl bromide, produced serious damage to citrus fruits and avocados. The recently recommended treatment of one-half pound of ethylene dibromide per 1,000 cubic feet, with two-hour exposure at 70 degrees Fahrenheit minimum temperature, is not injurious."

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1952 A YEAR OF DECISION

The year 1952 will be a year of great decision. At least that seems to be the general opinion of secret service men, of military men, of statesmen, of economists, and of

many students of American and world affairs. Any broad examination of the newspapers, magazines, and privately circulated intelligence letters strongly so indicates.

MILITARY POSSIBILITIES

First and foremost in people's thinking is the question of military aggression by Russia and her satellites, and the tools which may be used—notably those of atomic warfare. The race for supremacy in this field can very well come to a head within the year. Word from foreign capitals indicates that many governmental spokesmen expect that 1952 will see possible courses of action settled. At least they look upon the year as a critical one, either for war or for a somewhat more stable peace.

POLITICAL DANGERS

Politically, 1952 will see great decisions made in the presidential and other fall elections. In all likelihood the November elections will decide whether America is to continue her gradual slide into state socialism, with its attendant loss of human freedom, or whether the American people have gotten their fill of government domination and official corruption. We may then turn back to the principles that "that government is best

which governs least" and that government should neither rob Peter to pay Paul nor enter into competition in business with its own citizens.

Economically, the business and agricultural world in many respects seems to be at the crossroads. Will it face its problems squarely or will it turn more and more to government for special favors, for subsidies, for governmental regulation to avoid the competition of free enterprise? This year's decisions may determine the course that is to be taken for years to come. They may have been put off too long. An increasing number of observers are indicating that the course of business, as well as of government, may decisively turn toward socialism and all its evils of scarcity, poor quality, and high cost, or it may swing back to the business principles that have made this country the most prosperous country in all the world's history.

MUST FACE ISSUES SQUARELY

As a people we are consumers but we are producers first. Our decisions must be made in that dual capacity. If we look fairly and squarely at the fundamental laws of supply and demand, of action and reaction, and put forth an honest effort to study these things and learn of the interdependence of each other, we can save our nation from going into the scarcity economy of England and other socialistic nations. The future depends upon our fortitude in facing these issues.

The usual New Year resolutions this year must be made more soberly, more thoughtfully, and more unselfishly. If this year of decision is to be one of benefit to this state, nation and the world.

THE PUZZLE of THE YEARS



KEEPING accurate track of years has been one of human history's toughest problems. Many a headache and much trouble have dogged those who dared to tackle it.

Seven hundred years before Christ, a smart Roman named

Pompius stayed awake nights figuring out what he thought was a good system. But, alas, he made several mistakes. Within a few hundred years the calendar which he had worked so hard to produce became inaccurate and practically useless.

The man who inherited the resultant confusion of Pompius' errors was a very busy person by the name of Julius Caesar. Caesar called all the best minds of his empire into conference and soon the world was given another calendar. It wasn't much good, either. It only lasted fifteen hundred years or so.

Then Pope Gregory XIII tried to straighten out the mistakes in Caesar's calendar. The result was the Gregorian calendar which we use today. However, there's trouble ahead. About 2500 your many-times great grandchildren will celebrate a New Year that's bound to be troublesome. That's the year our calendars will start getting out of whack. When calendars go wrong, seasons start arriving on the wrong days and in the wrong months. This happened because calendars aren't properly geared to the sun's movement.

For instance, when Caesar got stuck with Pompius' system the calendar and the solar equinoxes were months apart. Pope Gregory went to work on Caesar's calendar in 1582 when it was lagging ten days behind the sun.

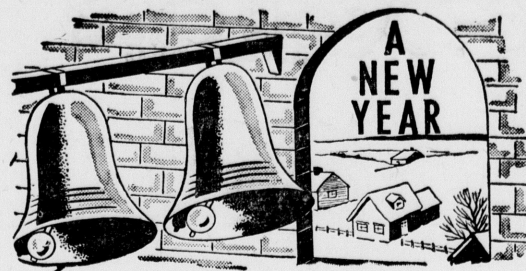
To Pope Gregory we owe the leap-year. In presenting his calendar to the world, the Pope specified that the calendar play leap-frog. As a result, the year 1582 holds all records for losing birthdays. In order to make up the ten days the calendar was behind the sun, the days between October 5 and October 15 were simply skipped—lost forever.

During the evolution of our calendar some strange things have been tried. Once a year was only ten months long, once March was the first month, again January was the first month, and once February was the last.

Scholars still wrestle with the problem of the years. Even today there's agitation for calendar revision. One solution would keep a 12-month year with provision made for the extra day left over from the 52-week year in ordinary years and the two days in leap year.

The extra day in ordinary years would follow December 30 and be known merely as Year day. January 1 would then follow. In leap years, Saturday, June 30, would be followed the next day by another Saturday called Leap day, then Sunday, July 1.

However, it doesn't look as though there'll be any revision during 1949. Most people will be too busy with their own problems this year to worry about 2500 when our calendars won't be much good.



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Brazil New Year's A Summer Holiday

New Year's Day (Dia de Anno Bom) is truly a Red Letter Day in Brazil: in keeping with the hospitality and gaiety universally associated with the observance of New Years, it is the day par excellence for parties, enthusiastic greeting, and general celebration.

Dia de Anno Bom is the 'middle day' of the Brazilian holiday season which begins on Christmas Eve and climaxes on Epiphany. Christmas itself does not stand out as a time of merrymaking so definitely as it does among the Anglo-Saxons: the colorful and impressive Christmas processions are part of the church festival; in the realm of gift-giving, Epiphany—symbolizing the gifts which the Wise Men brought the Infant Jesus—vies with and even holds a slight edge over Christmas, especially among the children.

Since it is really June in January south of the equator, the Christmas season falls in Midsummer instead of during the winter, a fact which has endowed the holidays with many characteristics of Summer-time festivals. In many cities religious and civic organizations sponsor open air "festas." These affairs are attended by throngs of people representing all classes of the population, gifts are distributed to underprivileged children, while music, flags, and flowers contribute to the general gaiety and festivity.

In a land where all festivals are endowed with several sets of customs—those assimilated through foreign intercourse, etc., superimposed upon the ancient traditions brought from Portugal—New Year's Day is included in the list of Brazil's national holidays and is appropriately designated as the day of universal brotherhood.

New Year — QUOTES

"What an era is every New Year's Day if well considered! Another stage in our journey, a shifting of the scene without interrupting the continuity of the piece... the winding up of our watch that it may tell us the time tomorrow; a fresh page in our Book of Existence, in which much may be written."—Caroline Fox.

"No one ever regarded the first of January with indifference. It is the nativity of our common Adam."—Charles Lamb.

"Every man naturally persuades himself that he can keep his resolutions, nor is he convinced of his inability but by length of time and frequency of experiment. They whom frequent failures have made desperate, cease to form resolutions, and they who are become cunning, do not tell them."—Samuel Johnson.

"There is too much said at New Year's about turning over a new leaf. Are the old leaves all so badly written that we must hasten to forget them? Is the blank whiteness of the untouched page more pleasant to the eye or more fortifying to the will than those closely written, underlined, untidy, but familiar pages which make up the story of one's life?"—Bliss Perry.

Jewish New Year Is Solemn Rite

Jewish people observe the New Year at a different date and with more religious solemnity than is associated with the Christian New Year.

Rosh Hashana, the name of Jewish New Year's day, may occur anytime between September 5 and October 5. It is one of the highest of Orthodox holy days and opens a period of penitence, prayer and charity which lasts until Yom Kippur, ten days later. Yom Kippur means Day of Atonement.

Traditionally, Yom Kippur was set apart as a day of atonement by Moses and elaborate ceremonies solemnized its observance until the offering of sacrifices was abandoned after the destruction of the Temple in Jerusalem in 70 A. D.

In modern times, no other Jewish fast day or festival is as generally and religiously observed. Services in the synagogues begin in the evening of the preceding day and are continuous until sunset on the day itself. The souls of the dead are included in the community of those pardoned on the Day of Atonement, and it is customary for children to have public mention made of their deceased parents and to make charitable gifts on behalf of their souls.

There is, reportedly, a Book of Life wherein the name of every living creature is written. This Book is sealed annually on Yom Kippur. This is the reason for the customary Jewish New Year greeting, "May you be inscribed for a happy New Year."



Six New Year's days in a year? Certainly—absurd as it sounds it's true. Here they are:

1. January 1.
 2. In that part of the Occident wherein the Greek Orthodox faith prevails January 1 falls upon our January 13.
 3. A traditional Chinese New Year's celebration starts February and lasts to February 13.
 4. If you happened in on the country of Siam, April 1, you'd find a great ceremonial festivity underway—nothing less, in fact, than New Year's.
 5. In Arabia, the Mohammedan New Year's is celebrated September 4.
 6. September 10 is New Year's in the ancient country of Abyssinia.
- New Year's day has been observed for the last 5000 years. Nearly everywhere and at all periods it has been a day of rejoicing.



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Reno Wedding For Niles Pair

It was a Reno wedding last Friday for Mrs. Ola Miller and Arthur "Spike" Marlen, both of Niles. The two drove up to Reno Friday and came back Saturday and are now living in Mrs. Marlen's home in Canyon Heights.

They spent Christmas day with their two families. Mrs. Marlen is the mother of seven children, with only one living at home, however. Mr. Marlen has two sons.

He is employed as a crane operator at the Pacific States Steel Mill. She has been employed at the California Nursery for the past eight years, and will continue to work there.

Double Celebration

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ziemer and son of Niles spent the holiday at the home of their daughter, Mrs. Roy Newman, in Santa Rosa. Christmas was a double celebration this year, as Sergeant Newman returned home from Korea just in time to be with his family for Christmas dinner.

She Likes Niles

With the John Galvins having moved into their brand new home in Niles Manor, the former Galvin house on Second Street in Niles is now being occupied by the Niles librarian, Mrs. Evangeline Koehl and her husband. They formerly lived in Pleasanton. Mrs. Koehl is very happy to be living in Niles, not only because it is closer to her work, but because she likes Niles better than Pleasanton.

Busy Week-End

The William Bauldrys of Centerville were very busy over last week-end entertaining guests. Last Saturday night they had a party which included Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Gomes, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Amaral, Virginia Alias and a friend. Cards were played and a buffet supper served at midnight. On Christmas day the Bauldrys had a dinner for her mother, Mrs. Frances Glover of Hayward, Mr. Harry Greten of Oakland, and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Miller and daughter of Centerville.

Best Christmas Gift

The nicest Christmas present they could have come to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bragg of Niles on December 20, for on that day their second son was born at the San Jose Hospital. He has been named Philip Jeffrey, and weighed nine pounds and three ounces at birth. His brother, Robert, will be three years old in February.

New Member of Family

A new member of the Bodily family arrived three weeks ahead of schedule. He is Forrest Barton Bodily, born December 22, to Mr. and Mrs. Dan Bodily of Ellsworth Orchard. He and his mother arrived home from the hospital on Christmas day. Forrest is the Bodily's third child. They have a son, "Skippy," and a daughter, Karen.

Family Feast

There were 15 adults and six children of the Bauhofer clan, who gathered around the dinner table on Christmas day at the Joe Bauhofer Jr. home in Centerville.

In Ceres

Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Baptista and two sons, Manuel and Gerald, motored up to Ceres the day before Christmas to spend the holiday at her sister's home.

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Holiday Celebration

Young Paul Andrade, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wilbert Andrade of Centerville, will not only usher in the New Year on January 1, but will also start a new year of his life on that day. He will be celebrating his third birthday.

A party for him, which will include his relatives, will help to make the day a festive one.

Among those present will be his William Andrade, and his great-grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Amaral. Also present will be Miss Marian Jasper, Richard Andrade, and Pfc. Eldon Andrade.

'Open House' Saturday

About a hundred invitations are out for a holiday season "open house" being given by Dr. and Mrs. E. C. Grau of Niles this Saturday, from four to seven o'clock. Many of the guests will include Mrs. Grau's friends in the art circles to which she belongs. She is one of the founders of the Hayward Art Association.

In Carmel

Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Anderson of Centerville spent last Monday and Christmas day at the home of her sister, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Hirst, in Carmel. Also with them was Mrs. Anderson's mother, Mrs. A. B. Hirsch, formerly of Irvington but now living in Carmel.

In San Jose

The Richard Mendoncas of Centerville spent Christmas Eve and Christmas day with the Larry Cunhas in San Jose. Accompanying them was his mother, Mrs. Marian Mendonca.

In Redwood City

The Bryce Phillips family of Irvington spent Christmas day in Redwood City at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Edwards. Mrs. Phillips cooked Christmas dinner, however, as this was Mrs. Edwards' first Christmas at home in seven years, as she has been in the hospital all that time.

Holiday Guests

Guests on Christmas day at the Lawrence Alberts home in Centerville were Mr. and Mrs. Vince Damico and family, Babe Damico, Vee Alias and Mel Amaral.

Relatives Visit

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Adams of Centerville on Christmas day were their daughter and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. John Brainerd and two-year-old son, of Moss Beach, and an uncle, Mr. Ed Redmond of San Jose.

Their First

Susan Lenora is the name bestowed on the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Smith of Goodrich Way, Niles. The young lady, born December 21 at San Jose Hospital, weighed 8 pounds and five ounces at birth. She is the first child for the Smiths.

Holiday Guests

Mr. and Mrs. Al McMahan of Hayward were Christmas day guests at the home of his father and wife, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. McMahan in Niles.

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Niles Girl Tells Of Betrothal

Virginia Mottershaw, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Mottershaw of Canyon Heights, received a Christmas gift that every girl dreams of—a diamond engagement ring. The donor of the ring is Tony Ramos of Decoto, who was home for Christmas from the Navy base at San Diego, where he is stationed.

The two do not plan an early marriage, as Virginia is a sophomore in Washington High and wants to complete her education, and Tony will be away on Navy duty for at least four years.

The romance had its start two years ago, when the young couple met at a skating party.

Tea Honors Santa Barbaran

Mrs. John Rathbone, who is visiting here during the holiday season from her home in Santa Barbara, will be the guest of honor at a tea being given today at the home of Mrs. Lester Mann of Centerville. Co-hostess will be Mrs. Karl Nordvik.

Those invited include Mmes. John Rathbone, Arthur Belshaw, E. M. Grimmer Jr., Clyde Voorhees, Joseph Rose, Edgar Van Scoy, Henry Enos, Vernon Brown, Jack MacGregor, Robert Solon, James Logan, Vince Kaehler, Ed Vieira, Harold Janssen, Jud Taylor, and Miss Harriet Dias.

Day at Home

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Phippen of Newark spent Christmas day at home with Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Marshall and two sons, also of Newark, as their dinner guests.

Christmas Dinner

The Vieux clan of Niles gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Crume for their Christmas day dinner.

From Huntington Park

Mr. Guy Cotter, from Huntington Park, has been here visiting his son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Les Cotter of Niles. He arrived before Christmas and expects to stay until after New Year's.

Happy Homecoming

Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Lofton of Mission San Jose were very happy parents over the holiday, for their son, Robert, arrived last Saturday from Ogden, Utah, to spend two weeks with them. Robert is employed by the government, in transportation. One of his duties is chauffeuring for the colonel.

To East-West Game

Going over in a party to witness the East-West game are Mr. and Mrs. John Brahmst, Mr. and Mrs. Ken Bruner and their house guests, and Vernon Ellsworth and Harriet Dias.

LOCALITES BRING CHEER TO VETERANS

BOYS 'CRAZY' FOR HOME MADE COOKIES

There were 250 hospitalized veterans at Letterman Hospital in San Francisco who were made happy on Christmas Day by the kind-hearted people of Washington Township, who wrapped 250 gifts and sent them over via the Vallejo Mills Post, V.F.W., sponsors of the project.

"Pat" Patchett, leader of the drive for Christmas gifts for veterans, reported that the boys in the hospital were not only extremely happy to receive the gift boxes—especially as they contained home-made candies and cookies—but were happy just to have visitors come in and talk to them.

"Some of the boys were so anxious to talk that we had a hard time getting away from them," said Patchett. "And they opened up their packages with all the eagerness of a ten-year-old boy."

"One boy," he related, "who was undergoing considerable pain, was overwhelmed at the sight of home-made cookies and candy, but all he could say was, 'I wish

my brother over in Korea could have some of this!'"

His wish will be granted, for several of the women in the V.F.W. have offered to fix up a box of food and mail it to the boy's brother in Korea.

Mrs. Patchett, who helped wrap scores of gifts, said that by Monday night she was so tired that she wondered if the project was really worth while.

When they came away from the hospital, however, she knew for a certainty that it had been worth while. "There were no Christmas trees in the wards we visited, and no decorations to speak of. We felt that we had brought some Christmas cheer into the lives of the bed-ridden boys that otherwise they wouldn't have had. To see their faces light up when we brought in the packages was worth any amount of trouble that we had gone to."

The V.F.W. Post is especially grateful to the merchants and townspeople who contributed so generously to the Christmas gift drive.

Luncheon Honors New Resident

A luncheon in honor of Mrs. Robert Solon, a new resident of Niles, was given yesterday at the International Kitchen by Mrs. John Rathbone, who is here during the holiday season visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Solon.

Those present at the luncheon were Mmes. Robert Solon, Harold Enos, Don Plummer, Cyrus Solon Jr., Karl Nordvik, Clyde Voorhees, Arthur Belshaw, Henry Enos, Edgar Van Scoy, Lester Mann, E. M. Grimmer Jr., Joseph Rose, Miss Harriet Dias, and the hostess, Mrs. Rathbone.

With the Eastwoods

Mr. and Mrs. Raymon Wright of Kraftite Road, Niles, had an enjoyable Christmas day with their grandchildren and daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Eastwood, at their Piedmont home.

Unexpected Visit

Mrs. Antoinette Fracoli of Niles had a wonderful Christmas "presence" — the unexpected arrival home on Christmas Eve of her son, Victor, from Fort Ord. It was a hurried visit, as he had only six hours, but every hour at home was appreciated by both his family and himself.

Supper Club Meets

The Supper Club will meet Saturday night at the Lester Mann home in Centerville. Those planning to attend are the Karl Nordviks, the Clyde Voorhees, the Bob Moores, the Irving Hirds, the Jud Taylors and, of course, the Manns.



Here's something that you probably don't know—that Niles (or is it Decoto?) can claim the largest illuminated sign in Alameda County! The sign is at the steel mill and it reads PACIFIC STATES STEEL CORP.

RESOLUTIONS

Everybody makes New Year's resolutions. I suppose I should make some too. If I put them down in print, perhaps they will be easier to keep.

(1) If anybody says to me during the year 1952, in that snooty, Mrs. Astorbilt voice, "I don't care to have my name in the paper" (it happened only twice this past year), I will be a lady at all costs. I will not blow my top and tell them that most people consider it a privilege to have their names in The Register, that the day may come when they WANT their names in the paper (it's happened!)

(2) I will not say—even once—to Bill Helm of the Niles Theater, "What do you think of television, Bill?"

(3) I will not use a couple of boys I know for "column material" more than twice during the year.

(4) I will not get upset when I go to the city and tell someone I'm from Niles and they say, "Niles? Where's that?"

(5) I will maintain absolute calm when my husband says, "Let's take a drive somewhere" and it turns out—as always—to be through Niles Canyon. I'm not a very good driver but I think I could drive through Niles Canyon blindfolded, in the dark of night, and make it. I know every turn, every tree, and every piece of loose gravel along the way.

(6) I will be more tolerant of seat-mates on buses who have been eating garlic, knowing, as I do, that garlic is an absolute necessity to good cooking. Instead, I will try to promote a discussion of

the values of the new chlorophyll "breath-chasers."

(7) I will stop pretending that I don't notice that the dog is in the house, but will be firm and mean it when I say, "Rusty, go outside. You are not a house dog."

(8) When I go to a restaurant and order, I will not change the order. If my first choice is French fried prawns, I will stick to prawns, even though I go on reading the menu—which I always do—and come upon something much more interesting than fried prawns.

(9) When I see a baby for the first time, I will say something other than, "What pretty long eyelashes he has," which I have been saying for too long, about every baby which comes up for my inspection. (There MUST be something else to say about a baby!)

(10) When someone puts a delectable dish of strawberry shortcake (my favorite dessert) piled with whipped cream, in front of me, I will push it aside and say, "Please bring me a graham cracker instead."

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—and—

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NEW OFFICERS FOR ORIENT CHAPTER

Installation of officers of Orient Chapter, Eastern Star, was held last Saturday night at the Masonic Temple in Centerville.

Going in as worthy matron was Mrs. Sue Lemos; and worthy patron, Clyne Stoops. They succeed Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Logan.

The installation matron was Willa Hellwig.

Other new officers installed were as follows:

Associate matron, Lucetta Duffey; associate patron, Frank Baxter; secretary, Fern Mitte; treasurer, Anna Bradford; conductress, Jessie Wright; associate conductress, Margaret Roberts; chaplain, Ralph Logan; marshal, Mildred Logan; organist, Lesda Brown; warder, Elizabeth Mendenhall; sentinel, Jacob Koelsch; Adah, Ernestine Brewer; Ruth, Dorothy Koelsch; Esther, Elsa Mikkelsen; Martha, Eileen Stoops; Electa, Catherine Parry.

FORMER RESIDENTS HERE

Former Niles residents who stopped in Niles Thursday to call on old friends were Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Petsche, now living in Colusa. Mr. Petsche was formerly manager of the P. G. and E. office in Niles. He is now president of the Colusa Rotary Club.

McWHIRTTERS TO MOVE TO LOS ANGELES

Dr. and Mrs. W. L. McWhirter, residents of Washington Township since 1923, are telling their friends here this week that they are moving out of the township, to Los Angeles.

The move was necessitated because of the serious illness of their older son, Tom, who is in a hospital near Los Angeles in an iron lung suffering from infantile paralysis. The McWhirters have been making frequent trips to the south to be with their son and his family, and now feel that it will be more convenient if they move down there.

They have been very active in clubs and organizations during their long residence here.

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PLANTS ARE GROWN WITHOUT SOIL

Whatever the opinions of organic gardeners and angle worm fanciers, plants and even good-sized trees will grow indefinitely in water cultures and produce high-quality fruit, scientists at the University of California have established.

Organic matter has great value in preserving soil structure, in preventing leaching losses of soil nutrients, and in providing some insurance against nutritional deficiency in the soil, said Dr. H. D. Chapman, chairman of the division of soils and plant nutrition.

But organic matter, he emphasized, is not indispensable.

"From our experience in water and sand cultures," he said, "we know that most green plants can be grown in a medium devoid of organic matter."

"For example, we have 14-year-old orange trees which have been growing continuously in water cultures during their entire life."

"These trees continue to produce good crops of fruit, are green and healthy, and the quality of the orange produced, as far as can be measured, is as good as the quality of oranges grown in soils."

Because plants are constantly extracting nutrients from the soil, the scientist explained, restoring organic matter to the soil does to some extent replace the nutrients taken away.

"This can also be accomplished with commercial fertilizers," Dr. Chapman added, "and in general, despite the unproved and unfounded claims of some that commercial fertilizers are ruining our soils, it will be increasingly necessary in the years ahead to rely on commercial fertilizers and lime as soil restorers."

TOWNSHIP CHAMBER

(Continued from page 1)

majority of services now provided by the county.

Manning said that the Chamber will not only continue its fight against the passage of the bill but will, out of necessity, prepare a plan which could be put into effect should the bill be passed.

FLOOD CONTROL NEEDED

Manning cited the need of increased activity here in attracting industries to locate in the township, recommending the appointment of a new Industries Committee.

Under flood control, the Chamber will begin concerted action to bring about studies of Alameda Creek to the same point to which the study of San Lorenzo Creek has advanced. The possibility of inadequacies of storm drainage facilities will also be studied.

The improvement of highway systems through the township and tighter enforcement of traffic laws here will also be a goal of the Chamber.

"I realize that the majority of projects outlined cannot be accomplished to the fullest extent in the period of one year, but they can help to draw us closer together as a single community with common problems and goals."

"I am appreciative of the past efforts of the delegates from the individual Chambers of Commerce of the township and am hopeful of the continuation of unity of purpose that has been evidenced throughout the past year," Manning concluded.

The average chipmunk family consists of the parents and four young.

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GROWERS EXPECT RECORD RETURN FROM 1951 BEETS

The average yield of sugar beets in California for 1951 is expected to be the largest in the history of the \$100,000,000 California industry's. The 1951 yield per acre on approximately 144,000 acres has been estimated at 19 tons.

According to Gordon Lyons, executive manager of the California Beet Growers Association, it is also likely that growers will receive more money for this bumper crop of 1951 than for any other past year with the exception of certain periods during World War II.

It is anticipated that there will be little change if any in the 1952 acreage and the price outlook for the coming year is good, Lyons states. This price will not be finally established until about August 1953, due to the unique arrangement between growers and processors in the beet sugar industry wherein growers are paid out of a joint account which is not settled until the final net price based on sugar content and general market conditions is determined by auditors at the end of a year.

Mechanization of the harvest is now 100 per cent, which makes it possible for this industry, a part of the nation's high scale economy, to compete with cheap hand labor in tropical cane sugar areas which receives a fraction of the wages paid by beet growers. This mechanization has been achieved in the past 10 years.

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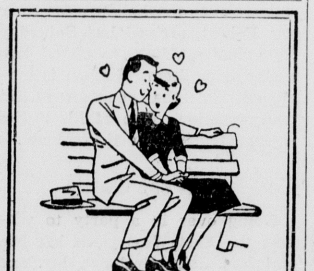
A Decoto man, Jose Serbantes, 60, of 819 Tenth Street, will appear in court today (Friday) at 1:30 p.m. for trial in a charge of possessing fighting cocks with the intention of using them for fighting.

Deputy sheriffs allege that Serbantes had five of the cocks with the combs clipped in his possession when arrested.

He was arraigned before Judge Allen G. Norris in Justice Court last Friday and pleaded not guilty to the charge.

Coffee plants were probably first cultivated in Ethiopia or Arabia about A. D. 575.

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THE TOWNSHIP REGISTER

REPORT ON SOILS MADE BY U.C. MAN

Soils over the greater part of California, formed under conditions of low rainfall, have escaped much of the leaching of plant nutrients which soils in more humid regions have suffered, according to a summary prepared for medical and dental groups interested in the relation of soil to human nutrition by Dr. H. D. Chapman, chairman of the division of soils and plant nutrition of the University of California Citrus Experiment Station.

Soils in humid regions, he noted, are predominantly acid because rain has partially leached out basic elements like calcium, magnesium and sodium. California soils, on the other hand, are predominantly neutral to alkaline, and well supplied with those elements.

However, because of the alkalinity, some elements, though present in large supply, are relatively unavailable to plants.

"There is no such thing as a plant or food product absolutely devoid of mineral elements," the Riverside soil scientist said. "Any plant has to have a certain basic amount of all these elements in order to grow at all."

Most California soils are well supplied with calcium, and in irrigated regions the waters used all contain dissolved calcium, Dr. Chapman commented. There are phosphorus-deficient areas, he said, but in most of them lack is made up by fertilizers.

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Annual vegetables which can be sown this fall include lettuce, spinach, and New Zealand spinach.

Perennial vegetables such as asparagus, rhubarb and hardy onions are better planted this fall than next spring. Asparagus and rhubarb will be ready to harvest a full year sooner while the onions will produce a harvest next spring.

For the asparagus bed, roots should be obtained and placed in a location which need not be disturbed during the life of the garden. Deep, rich soil is required and the plants should be given three feet each way between hills.

Rhubarb is another long-lived plant. Six plants will suffice for the average family and they should be placed where they will not be disturbed, perhaps near the asparagus in a garden screen or border.

The hardiest winter onion is the red perennial, sometimes called the Egyptian. This is one of the onions which instead of bearing seeds, produces at the top of the seed stalk a bunch of onion sets. These sets should be obtained and planted this fall, a foot apart in the row, in rows two feet apart; though few families will need more than one row.

Daphne Noted
for Fragrance

The fragrant shrub, Daphne, grows and grows in popularity. Here are three varieties described—all quite expensive but worth it:

DAPHNE ODORA — "White Daphne." It is difficult to realize that one small plant can radiate such an intense, delightful and deliciously sweet perfume. The small flower heads of creamy white are borne profusely all over the plant throughout the winter. The handsome plant, with its shiny long green foliage, does best in partial shade with plenty of moisture but good drainage, two to three feet.

DAPHNE ODORA ROSE QUEEN — "Large Pink-Flowered Daphne." This Daphne is much admired because the flowers, the glossy green foliage and the plant are all larger than those of other varieties. The deep pink flowers have all of that intense Daphne perfume. Three to four feet.

DAPHNE ODORA YELLOW EDGE — "Gold-Edged Daphne." The flowers are big, much like those of Rose Queen above, but each glossy bright green leaf is margined with gold. Partial shade, plenty of moisture, and drainage. Two to three feet.

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spring PICTURES
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Bulb planting season is in full swing these days. Spring garden pictures are being "planted" right now. According to Margaret Herbst of the Associated Bulb Growers of Holland, more Dutch bulbs are being planted this season than ever before.

Be sure, too, that you set your Dutch bulbs at ample depth if you want the best results. Experience has taught that intelligent planting is essential, especially for good tulips, hyacinths and daffodils.

The top, or crown, of the average bulb must be set no less than six to eight inches below the surface of the soil. Large size hyacinths and daffodil bulbs may be planted fully eight inches down, while the medium sizes and tulip bulbs should be planted six to seven inches deep.

Tilled Deeply

Properly prepared bulb beds are tilled deeply and well-drained. Spade up the soil to a depth of 15 to 18 inches and, if possible, incorporate in it a layer of Canadian sun-dried peat moss three or four inches thick—or an inch or two of well decayed manure. In very heavy soils you should add some sharp sand or gravel to help insure the necessary drainage. Where barnyard fertilizers are impractical special bulb mixtures of commercial plant food, such as the 10-5-5 liquid fish fertilizer, may be substituted for them, and should be used only as prescribed in the directions on the package.

While certain flowers are not originally natives of Holland, the

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Dere Ed: There's a lot of worry abroad in 's weeny old world this Christmas season.

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Personally I can't figger where it does much good like the barber told Uncle Zekeial Potts when tunk said his hair was gettin' kind'a thin on top and he was beginnin' to worry about it.

"Oh, don't let it worry you, Zeke," the barber said. "I'll all come out all right."

Still another viewpoint is the one Aunt Fanny tells about. Deacon Scoggs' wife back in Funkinville was a heck of a worrier and Aunt Fanny took her to task.

No Vacant Places
in Rows of Small Area

In the small home vegetable garden, where a maximum yield is desired, there must be no vacant spaces in the row. The only way to insure this is to sow plenty of seed, but not too much, and thin out the excess plants.

No matter how high the germination of the seed, accidents may occur which destroy seedlings, and there must be spares to replace these losses. But unless the stand is gradually thinned, the plants may be so crowded that both quality and yield will suffer.

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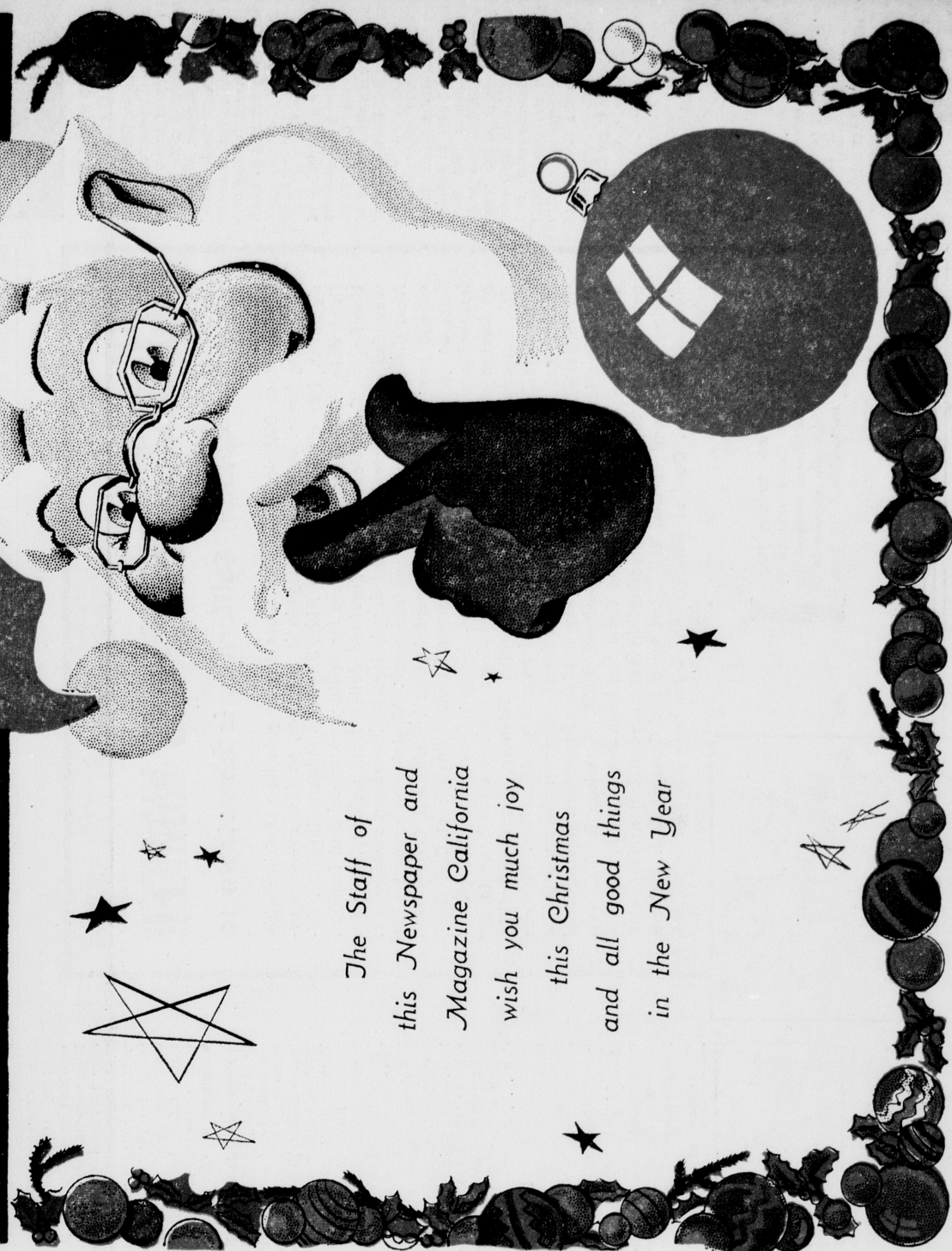
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The Staff of
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wish you much joy
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and all good things
in the New Year

CALIFORNIA Fashions

French Rule South American Fashion

Magazine California Fashion Editor Writes From Land of the Incas

By HELEN WEILL
Fashion Editor

Editor's note: Helen Weill, who is touring Latin America, sent this column from Cusco, Peru. It was intended for last issue but was delayed in the mails.

Again it's South America, with a vast mixture of the old and new.

I had a costume drawn, measured and fitted by the Ortiz, dapper, longhaired, goat-eared, apparent Frenchman, president "dream-boat" of Buenos Aires. He was the head designer for Pierre Balmain of Paris, has been in the Argentine for only four months and has taken the fashion-minded by storm.

Truth is, most of the so-called French designers are Spanish and Ortiz is no exception. But he speaks no other language than French and must work through an interpreter in his studio. I objected to his extremes in lines and his reply was: "But, Madame, three million women wear it so." I still insisted that they be modified for casual California living.

Inca Culture

Ortiz is now here and we are visiting this little village of Cusco which still retains the customs and manners of those living here 4000 years ago. This is the oldest Indian center of South America. Most picturesque of places, it bears the original evidences of the culture of the Incas.

The bare-footed Indian women trot down the streets in bright colored blouses and blouses, with a derby hat over their long black hair. Millions of skirts



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Criswell Predicts

WHAT PEOPLE WILL DO IN 1952:

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FOR WOMEN ONLY

In the year of 1952 each and every woman in the nation will turn the clock back to 1911 fashionwise . . . you will wear hair large picture hats, let your hair grow long again and wear it in curls over one shoulder! The day of the doberman will return, together with the bandeau over the brow! Floral patterns will be used in your dresses, coats and even your hose! Look back to 1911 and you will see exactly how you will be dressed in the coming year! . . . A new solid perfume will be sold you in a tiny bar, and once it is on the skin, the odor will stay for one week, even though you bathe, and this will prove a boon to the many users of deodorants, for this new product will actually and chemically work in the most stubborn cases! . . . Velvet slacks will be worn to very formal occasions, and the color black will predominate for all formal wear. . . . A tiny tinge of red in your hair will be most fashionable in 1952! You women will have a busy year in 1952!

TREND OF THE TIMES FOR 1952:

America will soon become a nation of "Homekeepers" where each and every home has a hobby within the family that pays out in extra money. . . . 1952 will see a great surge toward this coming condition. Here are the hobbies that will pay out for you in 1952: the home manufacture of beauty formulas, jams, jellies, cakes, candies, toys, gadgets, curtains, dresses, the raising of dogs, cats and hamsters for pets, flower seeds, home classes in cooking, charm and exercises for reducing, and of course the establishing of rest homes for chronic cases and older persons! Yes, money can and will be made at home in a greater total than ever before!

Buenos Aires, where the best is found. Fabrics, too, are imported and then created by such artists as Ortiz.

Recipe of the Week

By PATRICIA PANTRY

Don't you love to picture your friends enjoying the gifts you send? And when you bake a gift—you can just see them looking at the colorful wrappings, sniffing the flavors contents and finally eating some cookies or cake, whether it is the right day or not. They enjoy the food and your loving care. And you have fun at the job. Your kitchen hums with spicy



HOLIDAY FILLED COOKIES IN A GIFT-DECORATED CAN

aromas, much "sweet" activity. It is time to be at the work now, the fixing of plum puddings and cakes and cookies and all such luscious treats. Start with the plum puddings, as they develop ripened flavor on keeping awhile and you have that much done in advance. If properly wrapped in heavy waxed paper or aluminum foil, the puddings will keep for months. And the taste is so good, made with raisins and citron and spices and creamy, white emulsified shortening which blends and brings out all the delectable flavors. If you like, you can use the smaller shortening cans for the mold to steam the pudding.

Holiday Filled Bar Cookies

Make Date Filling or Prune-Orange Filling (recipes below). Preheat oven to 400 degrees (moderately hot).

Mix together thoroughly:

- 1 cup undrained shortening
- 1 cup brown sugar (packed in cup)
- 1 1/4 cups sifted all-purpose flour
- 1/2 teaspoon soda
- 1 teaspoon salt

Stir in 1 1/2 cups rolled oats.

Mix thoroughly. Place one-half of this crumb mixture in oblong pan, 13x9x2-inch, greased with shortening and floured. Press and flatten with hands to cover bottom of pan. Spread with cooled Date Filling or Prune-Orange Filling. Cover with remaining crumb mixture. . . . patting lightly. Bake 25 to 30 minutes, until lightly browned, in moderately hot oven (400 degrees). While warm, cut into bars and remove from pan. Makes about two and a half dozen 1 1/2x2-inch bars.

Date Filling for Holiday Cookies

Mix together in saucepan:

- 3 cups cut-up dates
- 1/4 cup sugar
- 1 1/2 cups water

Cook over low heat, stirring constantly, until thickened (about 10 minutes). Cool.

Or, if You Prefer Prune-Orange Filling

Mix together in saucepan:

- 3 cups cut-up cooked prunes (drained)
- 1/4 cup sugar
- 1/2 cup orange juice
- 2 tablespoons grated orange rind

Cook over low heat, stirring constantly, until thickened (about 10 minutes). Cool.



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ROSE BOWL

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appeared in all its majestic and the bright, blue cloudless sky crowned the view. This was the same panorama that in 1927 carried away the late Graham McNamee when he was charged with spending more time describing the scenery than broad-casting the Stanford vs. Alabama game action in the first Coast-to-Coast radio hook-up in United States history!

ROSE TOURNAMENT

However, that's getting too far ahead of the Rose Bowl story—22 years in fact. Actually, it was in 1899 and not 1921, the day of the episode just described, that the Rose Bowl was born, thanks to a man who loved California.

Professor Charles Frederick Holder, a distinguished looking individual with a Van Dyke beard and a sweeping but well-trimmed mustache to match, adored the climate, mountains, valleys, blue Pacific Ocean and above all the flowers. The sportsman, naturalist and writer had lived in Europe and there had observed the spring and summer flower festivals.

One day while conversing at his Pasadena club with a friend, one Dr. Francis F. Rowland, who himself had seen the Battle of Flowers in Rome, suggested holding an event that would prove to the world that the Goddess Flora showered her charms on their home-town in mid-winter. Together, they developed the idea, and with the backing of their Valley Hunt Club, the leading social organization, and still in existence to-

day, the New Year's day flower parade came into being.

VILLAGE PROJECT

It was indeed a village project in 1890, as neighbors decorated buggies, carriages and bicycles with flowers picked from their own gardens and headed to picnic at an acreage which today is in the heart of the city. Climax of the day was an afternoon of simple sports consisting mainly of foot races and jousting.

As the years passed and the floral pageantry grew in beauty, interest and financial obligation, events with a "gate" appeal to help defray expenses were staged. They included "Tourney of the Kings," hurdle racing, horse and dog greyhound races, bicycle races, band concerts, football (Stanford vs. Michigan in 1902, by the way), concerts again, Roman chariot races, motorcycle races, bicycle races, wild west stunts and finally the pigskin sport to stay in 1916: Brown vs. Washington State.

MICHIGAN IN 1902

Much has come and gone since barnstorming Michigan was guaranteed only its travel expenses to play Stanford in that '02 game. Eight thousand people saw it, and paying \$1 for tickets, grossed \$7500. Yet, the forerunner of the present East vs. West setup, the game between Brown and Washington State in 1916, lost so much money (\$11,000) for the Pasadena people at the old Tournament Park that the classic almost died a natural death. Now, the coming '52 contest will draw more than 100,000 persons at \$5.75 and gross upwards of \$500,000.

Anything as popular as that creates headaches. Perhaps the biggest for the Rose Bowl is the demand for tickets, and that brings up this true story.

KIDS FOILED

Three youngsters without opportunity to obtain the precious general weeks before a certain New Year's game. There, near the west sidelines, they located an iron grill, leading to the drainage system. They next hiked a good distance, located a man-hole and exploited the suburbanian passage. Presently, they worked their way on their hands and

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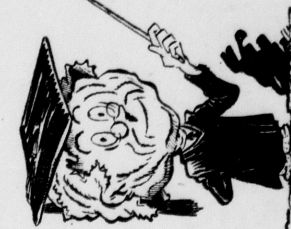
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5. This year's financial report is not completed, but in 1950 lettuce brought in: Almost 2 million dollars. 50 thousand dollars. Over 338 Million dollars.

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GEORGE E. BROWN

Christmas parties, and musicals that feature one distinctive tradition captures the hearts of annual Kiwanis-sponsored Christmas Pa-

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The simplicity of the parade is made school and elementary youngsters of the Tub- each in an original ex- at Christmas means

For 100 entries, both serious, this year's parade was reviewed on Main Street December 10. The parade was judged by a panel of 10 judges. The winners were awarded prizes and certificates. The parade was a great success and a wonderful way to celebrate the holiday season.

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